

Segregation May Be Ended

By Methodists At Confab

replace Bishop Shaw

For Bishopric

A big question for thousands delegates to the Methodist General Conference in San Francisco 23 to May 6 is:

Will the Methodists abolish the Central Jurisdictional Conference into which all colored members have been heaped?" Church leaders want the conference mixed. They are asking the General Conference to pass on integration and outlaw it once for all.

Bishop King

A second question to come up at the conference is whether Bishop Willis King, who has spent eight years in West Africa, will be returned to the United States. Bishop King was elected for Africa.

King has asked to return here and the conference will rule on his application.

Confirmed reports are current

Church leaders whose names are mentioned prominently in connection with election to the bishopric in June are:

Rev. R. M. Williams, D.C.; Rev. Matthew W. Clair, Chicago; Rev. Gammon Morris, Chicago; Rev. Lafayette Harris, Philander Smith College, Little Rock, Ark.; Rev. Edgar A. Love, Board of Missions, N.Y.; Rev. Prince Taylor, editor, Church Advocate; Rev. Noah Moore, Philadelphia; Rev. J. J. Seabrook, president of Claflin College, S.C.

Poison Pen Letters

Before the past four Jurisdictional Conferences poison pen letters or cards were circulated concerning some of the ministers prominently mentioned. Investigation has failed to discover the letter writers.

Church leaders announced that they expect to make a special check to prevent the distribution of poison pen letters this year.

St. Louis Sending 10

There are expected to be some 54 colored delegates at the conference. The St. Louis area has named 10 to represent it at the meeting, elected by the four annual conferences.

There will be a lay delegate for every ministerial delegate in attendance at the conference. Bishop Edward W. Kelly, presiding officer of the St. Louis area, has named the following persons to represent his area at the conference:

Dr. Charles N. Richmond, district superintendent of the St. Louis District, and Bige Wyatt,



Rev. Love

W. Fletcher

local businessman, will be the ministerial and lay representa-



R. Williams

Mrs. Tyler

ave, respectively, of the Central West Conference.

Central West Names 2

The Rev. Dubro M. Grisham, pastor of the Clark Memorial Church, Nashville, Tenn., and Samuel R. Brown, Memphis, are the ministerial and lay delegates, respectively, from the Tennessee conference.

The Southwest Conference will be represented by the Rev. John H. Oliver, pastor of the Haven Methodist Church, Hot Springs, Ark., and John S. Cullens, Little Rock, Ark. The Rev. Mr. Oliver is the ministerial, and Cullens the lay delegate.

Ministerial delegates from the Lexington Conference are Dr. Robert G. Morris, pastor of Hartzell Memorial Methodist church, Chicago, and Dr. M. Lafayette Harris, president of Philander Smith College, Little Rock, Ark.

All States Represented

John T. Current, Detroit, and Dewey Lampkin, Chicago, are the lay delegates from the Lexington Conference. Some 15 other colored annual conferences of the Methodist Church in this country will be represented by 44 ministerial and lay delegates.

Delegates will be present from all of the 48 States and some 25 countries overseas, including two from Liberia, representing the nearly 10,000 members of the largest Protestant body in the world.

Six of the 70 active and retired bishops of the Methodist Church are colored. Among them are Bishop Kelly, Bishop Robert N. Brooks, New Orleans, La.; Alexander P. Shaw, Baltimore; John

W. E. Bowen, Atlanta; Willis J. King, Monrovia, Liberia; Robert E. Jones, Waveland, Miss; Edward Kelley, St. Louis, and Robert Brooks, New Orleans.

Methodist Bishop Hits Race B

At General Confab In San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF. — (ANP)—Some 70 bishops attending the General conference of The Methodist Church here last week agreed that racialism rather than Communism was a major deterrent to achievement of full democracy in the United States.

The bishops labeled racial discrimination as "both unfair and un-Christian."

Six of the 70 bishops as the conference are Negroes. They are Willis J. King, Monrovia, Liberia; Robert N. Brooks, New Orleans, La.; Edward W. Kelly St., St. Louis; Alexander P. Shaw, Baltimore; J.W.E. Bowen Atlanta, and Robert E. Jones, retired, Waveland, Miss.

Besides the bishops, there are 720 delegates representing 99 annual conferences in the United States and 44 overseas conferences. Some 54 of these delegates represent the Central Jurisdiction, which is the Jim Crow set-up for most Negro members of the denomination.

In his speech on The Negro in the Methodist Church in the United States, Bishop Paul B. Kern said among other things:

"To discriminate against a person solely upon the basis of his race is both unfair and un-Christian. Every child of God is entitled to that place in society which he has won by his industry, his integrity and his character. To deny him that position of honor because of the accident of birth is neither honest democracy nor good religion."

"The Methodist Church is in a peculiar position of responsibility and trust. We are a church of many races, both in this country and abroad. There is no reason why we could not demonstrate by our patience our forbearance, and our vision a solution of this prob-

lem which would be just and Christlike to all races. When we treat it as a human problem it baffles us; when we approach it as a God-given opportunity it thrills us."

Many observers saw in this statement an oblique reference to the Central Jurisdiction which has been a touchy subject for the church for a number of years.

Unlike other Methodist denominations, The Methodist Church does not elect bishops during its general conference. Bishops are elected after the conference by the respective areas.

Since most Negro Methodists are under the Central Jurisdiction, they are able to vote for their own bishops. The Central Jurisdiction includes some 19 conferences.

White Methodists Vote Integration

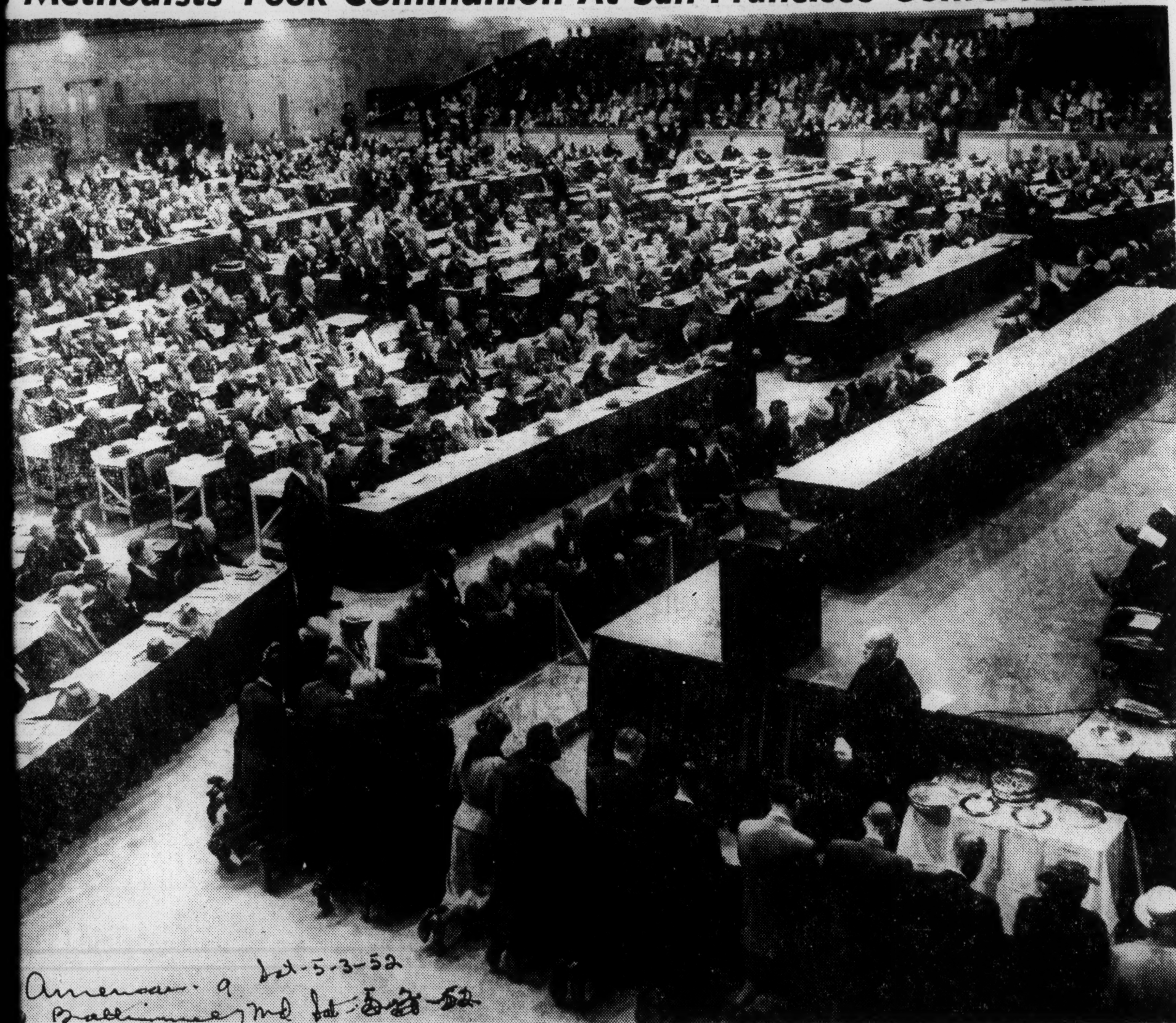
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 General Conference
 San Francisco as they knelt
 in Holy Communion

at opening of convention on
 Wednesday. One of the biggest
 questions before this great
 church body of more than 9

million members was how to eli-
 minate the jim-crow Central
 Jurisdiction of the Church to

which most of the 350,000 col-
 ored members are confined.
 When this question reached the

floor of the convention a change
 was voted down. (Photo Cour-
 tesy San Francisco News)



Bishop Garber.

Bishop Werner.

Bishop Love.

Bishop Oxnam.

BISHOPS TAKE PART IN SPIRITUAL LIFE MISSION—Methodist bishops taking part in the Spiritual Life Mission starting Friday are G. Bromley Oxnam of Washington, Hazen G. Werner of Columbus, Ohio; Edgar A. Love, Baltimore Area, Central Jurisdictional Conference, and Paul Thomas of Richmond.

Bishop Oxnam to Open Spiritual Life Mission Ministers Friday

Methodist Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam of Washington will address ministers and 200 local ministers Friday to open a one-week Spiritual Life Mission.

The mission will close on December 5.

Bishop Oxnam will address the clergymen at 7:30 p.m. in Hamline Methodist Church, Sixteenth and Allison streets N.W.

Visiting and home pastors and a Spiritual Life School line church on Saturday Monday through Friday. Hazen G. Werner of Baltimore, and Bishop F. Ensley of Des Moines, will address the school each day. Bishop Werner will talk "Spiritual Needs in the Contemporary World" and Bishop Thomas will talk "Basic Essentials in the Spiritual Life."

Purpose of the mission is to make inactive and indifferent members of Methodist churches active. Dr. G. Ernest Thomas

of Nashville, Tenn., a staff member of the Methodist General Board of Evangelism, explained. Dr. Thomas will direct the program, with 317 Washington area churches taking part.

Other bishops participating in the mission are Bishop Paul N. Garber of Richmond, Va.; Bishop Edgar A. Love of the Baltimore Area of the Central Jurisdictional Conference, and Bishop W. Angie Smith of the Oklahoma-New Mexico area.

Nearly 100,000 in Districts.

There are nearly 100,000 Methodists in the five districts taking part in the mission. The districts are Alexandria, Washington East, Washington West, Virginia-Washington and Washington.

Bishops Oxnam, Garber and Love form the mission's executive committee. Dr. John C. Millian, superintendent of the Washington West District is executive chairman.

Dr. E. Stanley Jones, missionary and author, will also take part in the mission.

Four spiritual life rallies will be held at 7:30 p.m. Saturday. They will be at the University of Maryland Chapel, Woodside Methodist Church, Silver Spring, Md.; Fairfax (Va.) High School, and John Stewart Methodist Church, Seventh and A streets N.E.

Visiting clergymen who will speak in Washington churches during the campaign are:

Bethesda Church—The Revs. H. S. Brooks, Savannah, Ga., and W. J. Campbell, Austin, Minn.
Calvary—Dr. Harry Denman, Nashville, Tenn., and the Rev. C. A. Miller, Warren, Ohio.
Dumbarton Avenue—The Revs. J. L.

Hillis, Macon, Ga., and Bruce Medford, Sterling City, Tex.
Eldbrooke—The Rev. C. R. Earle, Lafayette, Ind., and C. H. Browning, Bluff City, Tenn.

Emory—The Revs. J. D. Bass, Clarksville, Tenn., and Anthony Hearn, Macon, Ga.

Poundry—Bishop Hazen G. Werner and the Rev. R. P. Price, San Bernardino, Calif.

Francis Asbury—Dr. W. A. Lamb, Memphis, Tenn., and R. L. Moore, Fairmount, W. Va.

Hamline—Dr. E. Stanley Jones, India, and the Rev. Leo Bailey, Verona, Miss.
St. Lukes—The Revs. G. B. Deschler, Santa Anna, Calif., and T. L. Stovall, Terra Haute, Ind.

St. Paul—The Revs. G. R. Ireland and B. C. Thomas, Louisville, Ky.

Union—The Revs. F. E. George, Mount Vernon, N. Y., and G. W. Amos, Norfolk, Va.

Wesley—The Rev. Albert Trulock, Valdosta, Ga.

Woodside—Dr. Edgar A. Nease, Atlanta, Ga.

Anacostia—Dr. D. C. Bryan, Houston, Tex., and the Rev. C. N. Diercks, Chicago.

Brightwood Park—The Revs. W. N. Wheat, South Bend, Ind., and W. C. Ziegler, Saugus, Mass.

Brookland—The Rev. J. R. Hilliard, San Antonio, Tex., and W. L. Coe, Blackfoot, Idaho.

Congress Heights—The Revs. N. B. Harmon, New York, and E. W. Foote, Minneapolis, Minn.

Douglas Memorial—The Revs. O. W. Arrington, Forsyth, Mont., and D. N. Nicks, Marion, N. C.

Epworth—The Revs. G. C. Powell, Lake Wales, Fla., and H. O. Ritter, Emporia, Kans.

First, Bradbury Heights—The Rev. Earl Perry, Sedan, Kans.

Gorsuch—The Rev. W. A. Rollins, Newton, N. C.

Grace—The Revs. M. R. Willis, Nebraska City, Nebr., and J. W. Ford, Arlington, Tex.

Lewis Memorial—The Revs. F. Q. Echols, Augusta, Ga., and N. B. Crawford, Pasadena, Tex.

McKendree—The Revs. H. C. Wilkerson, Lexington, N. C., and R. B. Thomas, Schenectady, N. Y.

Mount Vernon Place—Bishop F. G. Ensley and the Rev. F. A. Boulward, Bowie, Tex.

North Carolina Avenue—The Revs. W. C. Beecher, Phoenix, Ariz., and T. H. Norton, Jacksonville, Fla.

Petworth—Dr. W. H. Bransford, Anderson, Ind., and the Rev. G. A. Schulze, San Benito, Tex.

Rhode Island Avenue—The Revs. O. L. Collier, Frankfort, Ind., and Mr. Schulze, Rosedale—The Revs. D. R. Lytle, Windsor, Mo.

Ryland—The Revs. L. H. Holmes, Loyal, Wis., and R. B. McGrew, Portales, N. M.

Trinity—The Revs. H. C. Brockman, Shawnee, Kans., and J. E. Barclay, Boston, Va.

Waugh—The Revs. Lambert Tinnell, Lynchburg, Va., and M. H. Greenlee, Cascade, Idaho.

Wilson Memorial—The Revs. W. B. Cheshire, Dawson, Ga., and E. C. Erney, National City, Calif.

Former Gammon Professor Gets Methodist Education Position

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — A Texas Negro, the Rev. Ernest T. Dixon, has been appointed to the staff of the Methodist Church's General Board of Education, which has its national headquarters here.

He is assigned to the Department of General Church School work, headed by the Rev. Walter Towner, it was announced by Dr. John Q. Schisler, executive secretary of the board's Division of the Local Church.

The department has responsibility for general phases of Methodist church schools' educational programs. The Rev. Mr. Dixon will work closely with pastors, superintendents and general officers of local churches throughout the country, including the denomination's 2,891 Negro churches.

Before coming to Nashville, the Rev. Mr. Dixon was executive secretary of Methodism's West Texas Conference Board of Education. Previously, he was director of religious extension service for six years at Tuskegee Institute, Ala., and visiting professor at Gammon Theological Seminary, Atlanta, for two years.

A native of San Antonio, the Rev. Mr. Dixon is a graduate of Samuel Huston College, Austin, and Drew Theological Seminary, Madison, N. J. He did post-graduate work at Oberlin College's School of Theology, Oberlin, Ohio.

Methodist In Action To Admit Negroes

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Even Negroes Are Methodist Missionaries

New York, N. Y.—Miss Pearl Belger, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. L. J. Bellinger, of Terre Haute, Ind., and Detroit, is one of the even Negroes serving as missionaries for the Methodist Church in overseas countries.

Four of the missionaries are assigned to India, three to Africa and two each to Brazil and Burma. The Indian group, known as "1-3's" because they are on a three-year teaching assignment, includes the Rev. Julius Scott, Jr., of Houston, Texas; the Rev. Tunnie Martin, of Jubbipore, of Orangeburg S. C., and Dorothy Ellen Lettette, Baroda of Atlanta, and Miss Bellinger who is stationed at Madras.

The Rev. and Mrs. Ulysses S. Gray, Franklin, Texas are on a year's furlough from Gbarnga, Liberia. The St. Mark's Church, Chicago, is one of the churches helping to support the work of the Grays through "Advance" specials.

Miss Carrie V. Peat, Baltimore, on a three year's teaching assignment at the College of West Africa, Monrovia, Liberia. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Harris, Gainesville, Fla., are engaged in agricultural work among the Dyaks in Borneo. Mr. and Mrs. Emmett D. Steele, Milledgeville, Ga., and Chicago, are teaching at Granbury College, Juiz de Fora Brazil. Mrs. Steele is a member of the St. Mark's church, Chicago.

Two Bishops Set To Retire

Methodist Session To Name Successors

PHILADELPHIA — When the Central Jurisdiction of the Methodist Church holds its fourth quadrennial session here next June, at least two of the bishops' offices will be vacated because of retirement.

They are Bishop A. P. Shaw, who is resident bishop of the Baltimore Area, and Edward W. Kelly, resident bishop of the St. Laws Area, both of whom have reached retirement age of 70. They will retire at the General Conference, which will be held in New York City.

Prominent Churchmen Listed
When the conference elects their successors it will probably have before it the names of a number of prominent Methodist churchmen.

The Revs. Noah W. Moore of Philadelphia, R. M. Williams of Asbury Church in Washington, M. L. Harris, president of Philander Smith College; Robert S. Norris of Holsey Church, Chicago;

The Revs. M. W. Clark Jr., pastor of St. Marks Church in Chicago, O. B. Quick, pastor of Cory Church, Cleveland; T. J. Griffin, pastor of St. Matthews, Chicago; and Edgar Love.

Rev. Love Has Supporters
The Rev. Mr. Love was widely supported for the office at the last General Conference.

Another influential churchman is the Rev. Matthew W. Clair Jr., who has become nationally prominent because of his work with the pastor's school founded at Philander Smith College.

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25 Missionary Posts Open To Women Under US-2

NEW YORK (ANP)—Opportunities to serve in mission stations in the United States, Alaska, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico are open to 25 young men and women under the "US-2" (service in U.S. territory for two years) program of the Methodist Board of Missions and Church Extension.

Started last year by the Woman's Division of Christian Service, the program now includes the Division of Home Missions which is recruiting men and couples for three years' service in the "out-post" missions in the territories.

40 In Field
Forty young women who trained last summer as the first class of in the employment of missionaries, deaconesses and other workers in settlement houses, schools, hospitals, and other institutions operated by the Methodist women's organization in the U.S. Qualifications are a bachelor's degree, good scholarship, practical skills, good health, and ability to work with people.

The six-week training session scheduled for July 14-Aug. 2 will be held at National College for Christian Workers, Kansas City, Mo. Applications should be made to the Department of Missionary Personnel of the Methodist Church, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York 11, N.Y. Additional information will be supplied upon request.

Methodists Debate Wiping Jim-Crow Jurisdiction

(ANP)—Should the jurisdictional system in the Methodist Church be is the question which three Methodist leaders have tried to answer in the of the Christian Advocate, official organ of the Methodist Episcopal

the jurisdictional system, Crum the controversy suggested the following propos-
Central Jurisdictionals:

es nineteen Ne-
"First, abolish the Central Jurisdiction; second, let each of the Negro annual conferences become part of the jurisdiction in which it now resides.

"Third, make provision for keeping the Negro conferences intact for the time being, maintaining their present organization and their presiding Bishops."

Magazine Lauds 2 Educators

CHICAGO—The Christian Advocate, official journal of the Methodist Church, has lauded the achievements of two noted educators, Dr. David D. Jones, president of Bennett College and Dr. Matthews S. Davage, secretary of higher education for colored Methodists.

The article on Dr. Jones was written by Eugene Miller, white editor of the Greensboro, N.C. Daily News. Dr. Davage's story was written by Ann Hollinshead, publicity director at Albion College, Albion, Mich.

Proxy Since 1926

Dr. Jones, an honor graduate of Wesleyan College, became president of Bennett in 1926. The enrollment then was 10 students. The college had no money and consisted of three dilapidated buildings.

Now the North Carolina women's school has 450 students, an endowment of one million dollars and covers 42 acres. The plant is valued at over three million dollars.

Dr. Davage graduated from New Orleans College (now Dillard) and taught there until called to Clark College, Atlanta, where he served as president for 17 years.

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Methodist Women Vote Opposition To Segregation

Buck Hill Falls, Pa., Jan. 14 (AP)—Opposition to racial segregation and discrimination was expressed today by 400 delegates attending the annual meeting of the Women's Division of Christian Service of the Methodist Board of Foreign Missions.

In adopting a 10-point charter of racial practices the delegates called for the opening of all people, without discrimination because of racial or national background.

"Where law prohibits or custom prevents" attaining the objectives, the delegates said workers and boards should be charged with responsibility for creating "a favorable public opinion" for changing the laws and customs.

Lowd Negro Methodists Invited to join whites

DAVENPORT, Iowa, June 1932 (AP)—In what is believed to be the first action of its kind, Negro Methodist Churches have been invited into membership in the North Iowa Methodist Conference.

The conference, holding its annual convention here, passed a motion inviting the Negro Methodist Churches within conference bounds to join the white churches in "one firm Methodist church."

There are only two Negro churches in the conference. They have a combined membership of about 100.

The Rev. Charles W. Brashares, bishop of the Methodist Churches of Iowa said, "This is probably the most important thing that will be passed during this convention. We have made the Christian gesture and we pray that the two churches will join us."

Church leaders said that if the Negro churches accept the invitation, church officers will cooperate in placing Negro ministers in Negro churches. The Negro churches were assured no white ministers would be assigned to lead them and that they would retain their selection of officers.

Similar actions to invite Negro churches into the white conferences will be proposed in the Chicago and Detroit conferences, Dr. Marvin B. Kober of Cedar Rapids said.

Methodists Favor Lifting Color Bar

SAN FRANCISCO, May 3 (AP).

—Negro churches today were given the right to join white jurisdictions —Methodist church administrative units—provided all concerned parties agree.

Legislation adopted by the Methodist General Conference concerned the central jurisdiction consisting of Negro Methodist churches. There has been agitation to incorporate Negro churches into white jurisdictions and eventually dissolve the central jurisdiction.

APPROVAL NECESSARY

Proposed changes must be approved by the church membership, the quarterly, annual and jurisdictional conferences, and the Quadrennial General Conference.

The morning session also adopted an eight-year study on local church reorganization, except for one amendment being considered by a committee.

The amendment would require all members of official church boards to abstain from drinking liquor. This motion caused sharp debate before the conference voted to send it to committee.

OFFICIAL BOARD CREATED

The study creates an official board as the administrative body for every local church. It will be composed of the trustees, stewards elected by the quarterly conference, and officers of the church and church organizations. The study names four basic commissions, evangelism, missions, education and finance, and as many

other committees as is necessary, subject to official board approval.

At the close of the morning session, Bishop Arthur J. Moore of Atlanta, Ga., was awarded the National Medal of Korea, a civilian cultural award of merit, by Young Han Choo, Korean counsel general in San Francisco.

WILLIS KING IS APPOINTED PRELATE OF LIBERIA

WORK—Bishop Willis J. King, president of Gammon Theological Seminary, Atlanta, Ga., was appointed Episcopate of the Methodist Church in Liberia, Africa.

King, 52, of Rose Hill, Texas, Bishop-elect, was educated at Wiley College and Harvard University. He received his Ph.D. in sociology from Boston University.

King, who has been serving as pastor of the First Methodist Church in New York, Galveston, Texas, he became a member of Gammon. He left, however, to become president of Samuel Houston College, Texas. Two years later, he returned to Gammon to become president of the institution.

King represented Negroes at the World's Student Federation in China, at the Conference on Life and Work in England and on the Preaching Mission.

King now a separate area of the conference in Monrovia, is the sign mission field of the Church.

Methodist Appointments Tomorrow

Education was the theme around which the conference here Friday night. Dr. Walker, Chairman of the conference board of education, presented Dr. Harry V. Richardson, president of Gammon Theological Seminary; Dr.

Brawley, president of the college, and Reverend Major Jones, for the past five years, Secretary of the Boards of Education for the Atlanta and Alabama conferences.

Representation of the achievement and urgent needs of Gammon during his quadrennial tenure, Richardson noted four areas in which progress had been made.

Among these he noted on improved physical plant; improved faculty, which consisted of a lone Ph. D. member at the time he took office four years ago, to six full-time Ph.D's today; increased faculty salaries and an improved financial structure of the Seminary. "Our greatest need at this moment," he said, "is badly needed cottages for our young married couples."

Dr. Brawley explained the plight of the private college across the nation and advised the conference that Clark was no less in danger than these other private colleges. Of an enrollment of 722 students last year, said Dr. Brawley, 300 applied for and received scholarship assistance of \$45,000. He sees indications of a larger enrollment for 1952-53 and advocated a Clark College Day in every church in the conference as a source of revenue to meet the growing crisis which the college is facing.

Reverend Major Jones, who rounded out five years as executive secretary of religious education, told the conference that the need for religious education today is no less critical than in the past.

Earlier Friday afternoon, the Conference Ministers Wives, under the leadership of their president, Mrs. Willie Stinson, had charge of the program and reported a total of \$1,118.82 for the year. Of this sum the following district presidents reported:

Atlanta district, Mrs. Mary A. Baxter, president, \$284.10; Gainesville District, Mrs. Geraldine Moore, president, \$250; Griffin district, Mrs. Carl Crowder, president, \$271.72 and the Rome district, Mrs. Cornell Grissom, president, \$313.

Mrs. E. W. McMillan presented a check totalling \$1,000 to the conference on the permanent Pension Fund. Rev. F. W. Montgomery accepted this check and thanked the women and turned same over to the conference treasurer.

Business matters will be taken up again this morning beginning at nine o'clock. Continuing programs will be the anniversary of the American Bible Society at 2:30 and the Talent Hour at 7:30 tonight.

Appointments will be read following the sermon Sunday morning.

A. P. Shaw, E. S. Kelly Retired

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Philadelphia, Pa.—Meeting in quadrennial session here at Tindley Temple Methodist Church June 18-22 the fourth Central Jurisdictional Conference of the Methodist Church elected two bishops and retired two because of age limitations.

Dr. Edgar A. Love was elevated to the bishopric on the third ballot and Dr. Matthew W. Clair, Jr., of Chicago was elected bishop on the fourth ballot.

Retired were Bishops Alexander P. Shaw of Baltimore, Md., and Edward S. Kelly, Sr., of the Lexington Conference.

Monrovia, Va.
DR. K. W. McMILLAN, of Austin, Texas, was reelected secretary in a closely contested race with Dr. Charles H. Dubra of Gulfport, Miss., and the Rev. C. Anderson Davis, Kingsport, Tenn., by the 118 delegates, divided equally between lay and ministerial representatives of the nineteen Negro annual conferences of The Methodist Church. Dr. David D. Jones, president of Bennett College, Greensboro, N. C., was reelected treasurer, without opposition.

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THOUSANDS OF visitors from over the nation attended the confab, which meets every four years, within two months of the adjournment of the General Conference, which is the law-making body of the denomination.

Bishop Shaw was the presiding officer at the first session. Bishop Robert E. Jones (re-

tired) of Waverly, Miss., delivered the sermon for the Communion service which formally opened the five-day meeting.

HIGHLIGHTS of the conference included the address by Bishop Donald H. Tippet, of the San Francisco Area, who spoke on Wednesday night as the official representative of the Council of Bishops of The Methodist Church. Dr. Eugene Smith of the Board of Missions, New York City and Dr. Harry V. Richardson, president of Gammon Theological Seminary Atlanta, Ga., were the speakers on Thursday night. Bishop Willis J. King, Monrovia, Liberia (Africa) presided on Thursday. Bishop-elect Love, who was chaplain in World War I, has been superintendent of the Department of Negro Work of the Board of Missions of New York City, since 1940.

DR. CLAIR, who is the son of the late Bishop Matthew W. Clair, Sr. was for twelve years the pastor of the St. Mark's Methodist Church, Chicago, until May 25, when he was appointed district superintendent of the Columbus (Ohio) district.

Dr. Clair was a chaplain in World War I and was a professor in Gammon Theological Seminary for seven years before going to the St. Mark's Church. The conference was concluded on Sunday afternoon, with a service of consecration for the two newly elected prelates.

THE POWERFUL Episcopal committee of the conference, headed by Dr. John W. Haywood, Washington, D. C., made the following assignments of the bishops for the 1952-56 quadrennium: Bishop Willis J. King, Monrovia, Liberia (Africa); Bishop Edgar A. Love, the Baltimore area; Bishop Matthew W. Clair, Jr., the St. Louis Area; Bishop Robert N. Brooks, the New Orleans area; Bishop J. W. E. Bowen, the Atlantic Coast area.

Bishop Retired Because Of Age



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Bishop Alexander P. Shaw of Baltimore, Md., well-known prelate of the Jurisdictional Conference of the Methodist Church, was one of the two bishops retired because of age limitations at the five-day session of the conference in Philadelphia June 18-22. The other bishop retired was Edward S. Kelly, Sr.

The New Bishops

(From The Central Christian Advocate)

In the election of Dr. Edgar A. Love and Dr. Mat-
W. Clair to the episcopacy at the recent Jurisdic-
al Conference held at Philadelphia, the Central
isdiction chose two of its most worthy sons. Both are
of high culture and Christian character. Both are
who having made peace with themselves, are pos-
sors of the poise and stamina so essential for the task
h is committed to their hands. Never in the history
e Negro in The Methodist Church has the quality
adership which he chose to guide his course been
significant than now. This fact was seriously taken
account in the selection of these two men. They
both sons of Methodist parsonages and have had
experience as leaders in the church.

Bishop Love is a graduate of Howard and Boston
rsities, and a leader for many years in the Wash-
n Conference. He had served as pastor, district
ntendent, chaplain in the United States army, a
er at Morgan college and since 1940, superintendent
gro work for the Board of Missions. His leader-
n the church includes membership of a number of
eneral boards such as the Board of Temperance,
ission on Chaplains and Home Missions Council
rth America. For a number of quadrennia he has
ented his Conference at General and Jurisdictional
ferences.

ne work of Bishop Love with the Board of Mis-
as carried him across the nation and has extended
dership into a wide cross section of church life.
ngs to his new responsibilities the richness of these
lated experiences, the courage of his convic-
a keen understanding of the objectives and goals
church and a prophet's vision. We predict that
timore Area to which he is assigned, in particular,
church in general will be sparked to more vital
through his leadership.

Clair's election to the episcopacy is somewhat
e in that it represents the first time in the church,
Negroes, that the son of a bishop has been chosen
in this capacity. Bishop M. W. Clair Sr. was lect-
e episcopacy in the Methodist Episcopal Church
following the election of Bishop Robert E. Jones.
Bishop Jones were the first two general superin-
s of color to be elected in the Methodist church.
ent election of Bishop Clair was an indication of
isdiction's coming of age. The fact that his father
op served as no barrier to him, nor was he given
cial consideration because of it. The Conference
cting men on the basis of their qualifications
ership and he eminently met the qualifications.
op Clair was educated at Howard and Boston
ies and Iliff School of Theology. For a number
he was a professor at Gammon Theological semi-
y few men have made such lasting impressions
nt generations as did Dr. Clair during hs years
on. His unselfish life was an example to the
While it is probable that many of them for-
of what he said in the classroom, they remem-
radiance of his life and the meaning of the
Christ as he presented it in his daily contact
n. His students clamored for his election.

For 12 years he was paster of St. Mark's church,
Chicago, and was appointed superintendent of the Colum-
bus district at the last session of his Annual Conference
in May. Bishop Clair has worked untiringly across the
years in the interest of a more adequately trained minis-
try. His service as dean of pastors' schools in his area
and as member of the Commission on Ministerial Train-
ing contributed outstandingly toward a better-trained
ministry.

He brings to the episcopacy a keen understanding
of the needs and function of the ministry, a sympathetic
understanding of the problems and difficulties which
churches face, a yearning for an ever-deepening sense
of God among the people, a humble spirit, a deep sensi-
tivity to divine command and an uncompromising faith
in the future.

As these two sons of the church contribute to the
already strong arm of the College of Bishops, the people
can continue to live in hope.

White Methodists Vole Integration

ELKHART, Ind. (ANP) — A
second conference of the Method-
ist church last week took action
designed to pave the way for the
admittance of colored churches.
Delegates to the North Indiana
conference voted here to "investi-
gate ways and means of welcom-
ing "into the conference, pastors
and congregations now in the
separate setup for colored church-
es.

Two weeks ago two churches
were invited to become members
of the North Iowa Methodist con-
ference. The churches have a total
membership of 100.

The moves to allow colored
churches to join other conferences
was made possible as a result of
action taken at the recent Gen-
eral Conference of the Methodist
church in San Francisco.

Negro Churches Invited To Join Iowa Methodists

DAVENPORT, Ia. — (ANP) —
Two Negro churches have been in-
vited to become members of the
North Iowa Methodist conference.
The decision to admit the two church-
es came during the annual church
conference in session here last
week.

Invited to join the white church-
es in "one firm Methodist
church" were a church at Mason
City and another at Marshalltown,
which have a combined member-
ship of some 100.

Action taken at the recent Gen-
eral Conference of the Methodist

church at San Francisco paved the
way for Negro and White churches,
located in the same conference to one
become provided it was agreeable
with all parties concerned.

This was considered a step toward
ward the gradual elimination of the
Central Jurisdiction, separate or-
ganization for Negro Methodists.

Negro is a great puzzle to ev-
eryone in Asia. 'Why come
out to Asia,' they ask 'when
you don't clean up the mess in
your own country?'"

OTHER MOVES promulgated
by the Methodists included a res-
olution condemning segregation
in Washington, D. C.; the setting
up of a Board of Social and Eco-
nomic Relations to deal with the
problems of labor, race, etc., and
to establish projects for socia
betterment, and ruling to allow
Bishop Willis J. King of Liberia
to return to the U. S. and accep
the Episcopal areas in
this country.

The so-called "anti-segregation"
proposal is presumably aimed at
wiping out the so-called "Central
Jurisdiction" which is composed
of Negro churches throughout
the nation.

Mixed Methodist Church Hogtied

General Conference Shackles Merger
With Chain of Preventative 'I's'

Courier Sat. 5-17-52
(Special to the Courier)

SAN FRANCISCO—Jim-crowism still stalks within the
confines of the Methodist Church as the General Confer-
ence of the denomination, in a unanimous vote here las
week, shackled an anti-segregation proposal with a chain o
"ifs" and failed to call for the merging of all-Negro with all
white congregations.

The move to eradicate racial
lines within the church was based
upon a text which was marked
by the number of "approvals"
needed to permit a Methodist
church to be transferred from
the jurisdiction of which it is a
part to another jurisdiction in
which it is located, geographi-
ally.

THE OKAYING of such a
move must be done by the fol-
lowing agencies before such a
transfer could be effected: The
Quarterly Conference of the
church; the General Confer-
ence in the form of an "en-
abling act"; a majority of the
delegates to both jurisdictional
conferences involved; both of

The passage of the proposal
was marked by a dramatic
plea from Dr. Hobart B. Am-
stutz, president of Trinity Col-
lege in Singapore. He attacked
segregation in the church thus-
ly: "I hate this discrimination.
It was a shock to come back
here, walk into a church and
see that everyone was white.
The whole problem of the
American attitude toward the

Churches Send to Foreign Mission Posts

WILMINGTON, Ohio — More Negro missionaries are abroad as representatives of predominantly white church denominations, according to a report to the North American Council on African Affairs.

Before World War II, these denominations employed only 10 missionaries abroad, the report said.

Rev. Henry Knox Sherrill, co-ordinating bishop of the Protestant Episcopal church and president of the National Council of Churches, attributed the increase in missionaries to:

"Increase in the number of missionaries who are adequately trained and fitted for work in particular areas to which they have been sent."

Sherrill's church has the largest number of Negro missionaries. Before 1944, his church sent American Negroes to Africa. Today it has 16 in Li-

Mormon Priesthood:

Whites Only?

My co-religionist, Roy W. your issue of August 16, takes for "grossly misrepresenting" a doctrine in reference to the presented by me in *The* May 24, 1952. Specifically, Mr. attempts to refute my statement: "blessings of the Mormon cannot be extended to anyone of blood" by listing six "blessings" which Negroes may receive from

Nelson
 cally, Mr. Doxey is right, but speaking his statement is misleading. He knows quite well that the not only not tried to make blessings available to the Negro but deliberately avoided doing so. He knows that he is not to tell the Negro of these or attempt to convert him. Negroes have been turned away from Mormons in Salt Lake City. It is to speculate on what would a Negro should apply for membership by baptism in the church! They are not welcome.

The special matter, of course, is that they cannot "hold the priesthood." If the "blessings" enumerated by me were made available, one could expect a self-respecting Negro to leave his worship with a group which regards his blood as "tainted" and his skin "a curse of God." He would never be more than a second-class member of the church.

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 Minn. LOWERY NELSON

Artist Plea Bathhouse Response

to help the National Convention, U. S. A., Inc., the fabulous new sanitarium and bath house have been in as a grass roots effort to liquidate the debt spread. 1-26-52 Baptist announced publicly that they needed \$265,000 in debts incurred in their haven of hope for Hot Springs, Ark.

Response was immediate. It touched the hearts of all throughout the country. M. Townsend, secretary of finance commission, who felt the urgency of the appeal, was inspired by the fact he prepared for the Baptist Session in Hot Springs, Ark. Jan. 22 to 24.

pleased were Dr. D. V. Brown, president and Dr. U. S. Brown, secretary of the convention. Both had joined in the last week.

the bath house, which was scheduled for February will occupy a spot on the agenda at the session.

reactions and comments came from many poor, struggling people are the ones most inspiring. One which contained a dollar

God for men like our leaders who had both the courage and the courage to build that Negroes everywhere needed for a long

letter stated:

Baptist but here is my opinion." 1-26-52 Another letter stated:

a poor, old woman and money I get is what is mine by a few relatives. Sending you a little money and will try to send more next week because I want this sanitarium can be used. I've been sick most of my life.

were some Negro leaders also responded to the

Baptists' public plea last week.

"The effect of what the Baptists are doing with the bath house and sanitarium will be felt down the years." This statement was written by Mrs. Addie B. Jones, prominent school teacher of Memphis, Tenn.

Another Negro leader wrote:

"Wherever I go I shall be singing the praises of the Baptists and their leaders for having done an outstanding job in an outstanding manner." The statement was by Mrs. Ruth Jackson, a prominent beautician of Birmingham, Ala., and one of the leaders of the Southern Beauty Congress. "Every Negro will stand one inch taller and walk a little more proudly because of this racial achievement, and he will take this attitude of confidence into the areas of activity in which he participates."

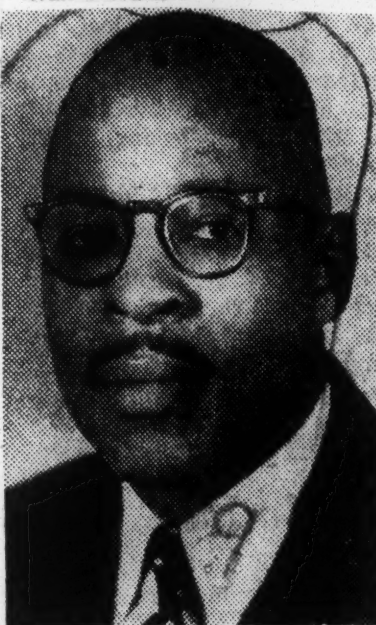
This statement was made by Jesse Owens, internationally famous track star.

But the Baptists will need still more funds to accomplish their goal.

For that reason they are still hoping that those who have not made a contribution will send one as soon as possible to the proper destination.



THREE OF THE OFFICERS of the Women's Auxiliary of the National Baptist Convention, U. S. A., Inc., who will attend the Sunday School and BTU Congress which meets in Milwaukee, Wis. June 16 through 22 are Mrs. Nannie Burroughs of Washington, D. C., president of the auxiliary; Mrs. Esther Walker Tyree of Columbus, Ohio, corresponding secretary and Mrs. Maudie Seward of Memphis, Tenn., recording secretary.



COUNCIL MEMBER Pastor of Pilgrim Baptist church, St. Paul, Minnesota, Rev. Floyd Massey, Jr., was elected to the Council of the American Baptist Convention during recent annual meeting of the American Baptist Convention in Chicago. Rev. Massey is first Negro to be elected to council, which devises ways and means of raising the unified budget of the convention.

Austin Has Platform, Seeks Man To Back It

Chicago's foremost ministers, the Rev. Junius Caesar Austin, vice-president of the National Baptist Convention of America, this week released an eloquent motion as a follow-up to the eight point program offered the Democrat and Republican conventions by Walter White, secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

The Reverend Mr. Austin urges that Negro Americans pledge themselves to give full and united support to the "candidate for the Presidency of these United States of America whose platform and policy stand for true democracy, for equality of all citizens, for a form of government of, for and by the people, or a form of government which makes us one nation, indivisible; a candidate who will give himself unreservedly to the fulfilling of the purposes and needs of the nation under our Constitution which promises full protection and equal rights to all citizens regardless of creed, color or conditions."

The noted Pilgrim Baptist

church pastor said that regardless of party, now is the time for Negro citizens to support the man who guarantees to each and every citizen equal rights and protection in his pursuit for life, liberty and happiness, and who promises



REV. J. C. AUSTIN

that every citizen, as a toll laborer in the United States, guaranteed equal and fair employment.

"Anything else makes a democracy a deception and our people of Christian living a curse," added, "the United States continue to be the leader of the family of nations if it continues to have the reputation of treating people because of color."

Also in the preacher's message was the plea to Negro Americans to look upon any candidate in disfavor who attempts to shift the issue of federal responsibility by proclaiming that the government should handle injustices, inequalities, discriminations and wrongs.

Calls For Radical Changes

**Document Passed
In Chicago Hits
At Old Regime**

9-19-52
CHICAGO — (ANP) — A new

day in the Baptist church dawned here Friday morning as the 72nd annual session of the National Baptist Convention of the U.S.A. Inc. enthusiastically approved a radical new constitution.

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Fighting for the new constitution were Dr. H. H. Hughes of Mississippi, the Rev. Marshall L. Shepard of Philadelphia, the Rev. Gardner Taylor of Brooklyn, the Rev. J. Raymond Henderson of Los Angeles, the Rev. L. Evans of Nashville, Tenn., and the Rev. L. K. Jackson of Gary, Ind.

Heading the fight against the action was the Rev. I. A. Thomas of Evanston. Hailed as a "great new move for progress," the new constitution followed the reelection of Dr. D. V. Jenison of Selma, Ala. as national president and the reelection of the complete slate of national officers.

The new document calls for these big changes:

1. Appointment of a paid executive secretary subject only to orders of the board of directors who "shall devise plans and methods of registration and of receiving convention funds, and have complete supervision of the same upon the approval of the board of directors . . . He shall devote his full time to the duties of his office and shall have no other employment. . . The executive secretary shall receive, deposit and disburse all funds designated for the convention except such funds as may be directed to be sent to other boards."

The executive secretary can be removed only by the board of directors.

At its meeting in January, 1952

in Hot Springs, Ark., the board will select the first secretary.

2. "A president of this Convention shall not be eligible for reelection after he has served four successive terms, until at least one year has lapsed."

This limitation of tenure rule does not apply to national officers other than president. Dr. Jenison came to office in 1941, succeeding the late Dr. L. K. Williams. At a feeble 77, he was considered by many liberals to be too old for office. In the past, national presidents have served for life.

3. "There shall be nine members-at-large to be elected by the Convention annually to serve not more than three years in succession on the board of directors."

In the past the board consisted of national officers and all presidents of state associations.

4. "The Convention shall have an auditor . . . recommended by the president and approved by the board of directors. The auditor shall be a certified public accountant."

5. "The National Baptist Voice shall be sent to every pastor enrolled in the annual session. For each name registered two dollars shall be deposited in the treasury of the Convention."

This makes the National Baptist Voice a subsidized publication. The board of directors will make up its budget.

The question of a new constitution came up Friday morning following a heated Thursday evening meeting which saw the old slate steam rolled back into office despite spoken objections. There were no objections, however, to the reelection of Dr. Jenison.

During the violent Thursday evening discussion, David Jackson, a photographer of Ebony magazine, was assaulted near the platform when a spectator misunderstood his motives for snapping pictures.

On Friday morning the so-called "young radicals" were ready for action. Led by the booming voice of tall, rugged Rev. Evans, who literally took charge of the microphone, the new leaders called for a new day for progress in the Baptist church.

The decisiveness of the action—more than 90 percent of the delegates voted for the change—surprised many persons who had expected the proposal to fall before the power of what they considered "the machine." Dr. Jenison, himself, favored the change.

Other sections of the constitution called for change:

Memberships in the National Convention were raised to the following: churches, 200-500 members,

\$25; 500-1,000 members, \$50, and less than 200, \$10.

All messengers in good and regular standing with any church holding membership in the Con-

vention shall be eligible to any office in the Convention.

The church shall operate under eight boards and two commissions as follows:

Boards — board of directors, foreign mission, publishing, home mission, benefit, Baptist Training Union, Educational, and Bath House—Sanatorium, hospital, plus "any other board the Convention may deem necessary for successfully carrying on its work."

Commissions — Baptist Voice and Social Service.

Subsidiary bodies will be the Women's Convention, Auxiliary to the National Baptist Convention, Sunday School and BYPU Congress and Baptist Laymen's Convention.

Delegates from all parts of the nation are singing the praises of the new constitution. They are claiming it as another step towards true democracy in the Baptist church.

So favorable was the vote for the document that not a single change was made in it before it was approved.



her and Son—Dr. D. V. Jenison, president of the National Baptist Convention, met in Chicago last week, and his son, the Rev. Theo. Jenison, hold a brief conference just before the latter read a speech for his father, who is suffering from failing eyesight. Dr. Jenison was re-elected to office for the tenth time, shortly after this picture was taken.—Beatty

Jemison Re-elected

Baptists to Miami
For 53 Convention

By BERT LOGAN and TED COLEMAN

CHICAGO—Approval of radical revisions in its constitution highlighted the seventy-second annual session of the National Baptist Convention of the USA, Inc., held here last week in the 178th Regiment Armory.

Overshadowing the re-election getting the final nod. the venerable Dr. D. V. Jemison of Selma, Ala., and the entire slate of officers by acclamation was the dramatic move to modify the constitution which represents more than five million members through general revision of the constitution.

AIMED AT the old regime and the perpetuation of the national officers, the new constitution calls for the appointment of a president, executive secretary, limited term of office of the national president, the election of nine members at-large to the board of directors, an auditor for the church, and a compulsory subscription for enrolled pastors of the National Baptist Voice.

A change in membership fees which will mean an income increase of \$100,000 annually was also included in the constitution revisions.

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KEY MAN in the opposition was the Rev. I. A. Thomas of Evanson.

An equally bitter fight was waged over the site of the 1953 convention with Miami, Fla., the heart of Chicago's famous stockyards.

The executive secretary is to be chosen by the board of directors and can be removed by a vote of this board. First secretary will be chosen at a meeting in January in Hot Springs, Ark.

Other officers re-elected by acclamation were Rev. E. W. Perry, Oklahoma City, vice president-at-large; the Revs. W. D. Carter, Pasadena; T. S. Harten, Brooklyn, and J. H. Jackson, Chicago, regional vice presidents; the Rev. U. J. Robinson, Mobile, secretary; the Revs. W. P. Whitfield, Jackson, Miss.; G. W. Lucas, Dayton; T. Moore King, Joliet, and M. K. Curry, Wichita Falls, Tex., assistant secretaries; the Rev. W. P. Offutt Jr., New York City, secretary of publicity; the Rev. Roland Smith, Atlanta, statistician; the Rev. T. S. Boone, Detroit, historiographer; the Rev. J. Pius Barbour, Chester, Pa., "Voice" editor; the Rev. B. J. Perkins, Cleveland, Ohio, treasurer; Col. A. T. Walden, Atlanta, convention attorney.

THE SPEECH of the 77-year-old Dr. D. V. Jemison, entering his fourteenth year as president of the convention, was read by his son, the Rev. Theodore J. Jemison of Baton Rouge, La.

Dr. Jemison urged the group to help make the world more observant of "The Word of the Lord."

More than four thousand delegates jammed into the entirely inadequate Armory located in the heart of Chicago's famous stockyards.

President of Baptist Women Cites
Improvements, Future Work of Church

By MATTIE SMITH COLIN

CHICAGO, Ill. —(ANP)—Nannie H. Burroughs, president, Women's Auxiliary division, in an interview here during the recent Baptist convention cited accomplishments of the church but pointed out there is still much the church must do.

Dr. Burroughs said the women of the convention are purchasing a \$100,000 retreat for missionaries returning to America on furlough. The building will be a combination hospital, place of rest and study.

Another addition to the organization, she said, came in the form of a donation from southern white Baptists. It is a \$200,000 library in Nashville, Tenn.

In discussing areas in which the church still has much to do, the president of the women's group said in part:

"As much as we may about first class citizenship, we all know that under the present inequalities and inadequacies, it is absolutely impossible for the Negro to be come a first class citizen.

"Training and employing leaders, whose business it shall be to work for the salvation of the home, the child and the community should be the concern and is definitely the responsibility of the church."

Elaborating on her statement on first class citizenship and attempts to integrate Negroes into American society, Dr. Burroughs said: "Only a few white people mean to apply democratic principles to the race problem in this country. And only a few Negro leaders really care about the condition of the masses enough to give themselves in service, for their redemption.

"The churches in America have over 78,000,000 members, but their influence and actions on questions of justice and brotherhood are nothing like as effective as is their stand against racial equality."

Mrs. Burroughs then deplored the sorry state of colored people today. Among other things, she said:

"There is an increasing and alarming trend towards moral laxity and a determination to escape responsibility. The Negro rural population is actually running from farms and small towns. The streets of our large cities are teaming with them... They are packed up in blighted areas only to intensify the staggering race problem."

But in spite of the rather bleak picture she painted, the Baptist auxiliary leader saw some hope. She said:

"Christians must take a hopeful view of the future. The church holds the only promise and the only power by which men can be redeemed and brought into fellowship with God and by which brotherhood among all men can be established."

Baptist Women
Elect Officers

CHICAGO — (ANP) — The Young Women's Auxiliary division of the Young People's Department, here in connection with the 72nd annual meeting of the National Baptist Convention elected officers to close their meeting, last Saturday morning.

Miss Bessie M. Washington of Anniston, Ala., was elected president. Other officers are Miss Lydia Mac Allen, Denver, Colo., first vice president; Miss Elizabeth Parker, Baltimore, second vice president; Miss Annie R. Collins, Cocoa, Fla.; recording secretary; Miss Rosie Ven Jones, Lake Charles, La., assistant recording secretary; Miss Jeannette Matthews, St. Louis, corresponding secretary; Miss Etoy Nicholas, Meridian, Miss., treasurer; Miss Willa Wodlington, Chicago, music director, and Miss Thomasina King, Joliet, Ill., pianist.

The Junior Matrons division, which includes the married young women, has its election of officers next year. Mrs. Fannie Tharpe of

Fort Wayne, Ind. is president, and Mrs. Carrie Seward of Detroit is first vice president. Mrs. Martha Brown was crowned queen of the young people.

Million In Race Go 45,000 Churches

NEW YORK—The National Baptist Convention, U.S.A., the third largest protestant religious denomination in America, a report by the National Council of Churches this week.

The Baptist group, with 4,467,000 members, ranks behind the Methodist church (9,000,000 members) and the Southern Baptist Convention (7,373,000 members).

Major Protestant Negro denominations boast a combined membership of over 9,000,000. About 10 million Americans belong to some church at the end of the survey revealed.

At the head of the Negro denominations is the National Baptist Convention of America with 2,645,789 members; the African Methodist Episcopal church, 1,166,301 members; the Methodist Episcopal Zion church, 815,000, and the Colored Episcopal church, 392,000 members.

Other denominations maintain thousands of churches. The National Baptist Convention, U. S. A., has 10,000 places of worship.

Statistics will appear in the Yearbook of American Churches, published annually by the National Council of Churches. Dr. Benson Y. Landis is

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5. The limitation of tenure rule shall not apply to national officers other than president. Dr. Jemison was elected to office in 1941, succeeding Dr. L. K. Williams. At 77, he is considered by many liberal-

ized persons who had expected the proposal to fall before the power of what they considered "the machine." Dr. Jemison, himself, favored the change.

OTHER CHANGES

Other sections of the constitution called for change:

Memberships in the National Convention were raised to the following: churches, 200-500 members \$25; 500-1,000 members, \$50, and less than 200, \$10.

All messengers in good and regular standing with any church holding membership in the Convention shall be eligible to any office in the Convention.

The church shall operate under eight boards and two commissions as follows:

Boards—board of directors, foreign mission, publishing, home mission, benefit, Baptist Training Union, Educational, and Bath House-Sanitarium-Hospital, plus "any other board the Convention may deem necessary for successfully carrying on its work."

Subsidiary bodies will be the Women's Convention, Auxiliary to the National Baptist Convention, Sunday School and BYPU Congress, and Baptist Laymen's Convention.

Delegates from all parts of the nation are singing the praises of the new constitution. They are claiming it as another step towards true democracy in the Baptist church.

So favorable was the vote for the document that not a single change was made in it before it was approved.

3. "There shall be nine members-at-large to be elected by the Convention annually to serve not more than three years in succession on the board of directors."

In the past the board consisted of national officers and all presidents of state associations.

4. "The Convention shall have an auditor recommended by the president and approved by the board of directors. The auditor shall be a certified public accountant."

5. "The National Baptist Voice shall be sent to every pastor enrolled in the annual session. For each name registered two dollars shall be deposited in the treasury of the Convention."

This makes the National Baptist Voice a subsidized publication. The board of directors will make up its budget.

The question of a new constitution came up Friday morning following a heated Thursday evening meeting which saw the old slate reelected despite spoken objections. There were no objections, however, to the reelection of Dr. Jemison.

PHOTOGRAPHER INCIDENT

During the violent Thursday evening discussion, David Jackson, a photographer of Ebony magazine, was assaulted near the platform when a spectator misunderstood his motives for snapping pictures, according to witnesses.

On Friday morning the so-called "young radicals" were ready for action. Led by the booming voice of tall, rugged Rev. Evans who literally took charge of the microphone, the new leaders called for a new day for progress in the Baptist church.

The decisiveness of the action—more than 90 per cent of the delegates voted for the change—sur-

Re-Elect Jemison For Final Term

By ETHEL L. PAYNE

The 72nd annual session of the National Baptist convention, USA, Inc., meeting in Chicago last week made history when the progressive elements of the body took over and put through sweepings reforms; most important of which was a four-year limitation on tenure of office.

Ailing venerable Dr. David V. Jemison of Selma, Ala., who was re-elected to his 13th year as president, will automatically retire next year when the convention meets in Miami, Fla. The new law allows an elected officer to seek the office again only after at least one year has elapsed between four years in the office and retirement.

In addition to the limitation on tenure of office, the convention adopted the entire 13-point program of revision as drafted by Revs. Raymond Henderson of Los Angeles, L. K. Jackson of Gary, Ind., and others.

The dramatic floor fight for adoption of the measure was led by Rev. L. Evans of Nashville, Tenn. Debate over the measure was postponed from Thursday evening after tempers flared and the decision on choosing between New York and Miami for the 1953 meeting went into a deadlock. Miami won after a roll call vote of the delegates was taken.

15 HOUR RECESS

After a 15-hour recess, the issue came before the house on Friday morning when the "rebels" marched through to triumphant victory. The new constitution created the posts of executive secretary of the convention and established an office of public relations with a full-time director.

The constitution also provides for setting up machinery to streamline and improve the present cumbersome methods of procedure and administration. It calls for support of Negro businesses and aid to dependent churches. It urged positive action on more interracial membership, saying that Negroes must become more aggressive in eradicating racial lines.



NANNIE BURROUGHS

Baptist Leader

Finally the constitution provides for a new financial system and sets up a permanent transportation committee to minimize the difficult job of moving large groups of delegates to various meeting places.

Mayor Martin H. Kennelly; Lt. Gov. Sherwood Dixon; Congressman William L. Dawson; John H. Sengstacke, editor-publisher of the Chicago Defender; and Sen. Marshall Korshak headed a long list of dignitaries who welcomed the more than 30,000 delegates from all over the country to the city.

The main body of the convention overflowed the 178th Regimental armory where its meetings were held and spilled out into the courtyard adjoining. Clear skies and temperatures in the 90's made the tents and booths set up outside give a carnival air to the occasion.

Sandwiched in between the crowded calendar of social events, the six branches of the convention

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urch operates; namely the
n Board under Dr. Marshall
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ard, Dr. A. M. Townsend,
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ational Benefit board, Rev.
Dixon, Tampa, Fla., chair-
the Baptist Training Union
r. J. W. Gayden of Jackson,
chairman; and the Educa-
board with Dr. Calvin Per-
Greenville, Miss., chairman.

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ship of Dr. Nannie H. Bur-
of Washington, held their
sful meeting at the Taber-
Baptist church. More than
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The convention culminated
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The 72nd session
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the South, still confined to
his bed when the con-

ker T. Washington Night Speaker

Dean Of Congress
Honored

Dr. A. Franklin Fisher, of Atlanta, Georgia, received the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity conferred this week by Selma University. Dr. Fisher is Dean of the National Baptist Sunday School and B.T.U. Congress meeting in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, June 16-22, 1952, Pastor of West Hunter Baptist Church, Atlanta, Ga. Dr. Fisher received his A.B. Degree from Howard University, Washington, D. C., and B.D. Degree from Union Theological Seminary, New York. The general theme of the Congress is "Laying Foundations for Christian Living." The 1952 emphasis "Standards For A Christian Society by Dynamic Adult Christians."



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Birmingham
June 17-4-52
MRS. BESSIE SEARS ESTELL
ELECTED NBSS SECRETARY—Mrs. Bessie Sears Estell (Mrs. J. M.) of Birmingham, was elected secretary of the National Sunday School and Baptist Training Union Congress at its recent session held in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, June 22-26. Elected assistant secretary at the 1944 session held in Birmingham, Mrs. Estell, tireless civic and religious leader, served as acting secretary for four consecutive years during the illness of the Rev. Mr. H. T. Sims, of Wichita, Kansas, the latter who had been secretary of the Congress since its organization.

Mrs. Estell was elected, without opposition, upon the recommendation of Dr. W. H. Jernagin, president of the Congress. The Rev. Sims was made secretary-emeritus.

Mrs. Estell, active in civic, educational and religious circles, is principal of the Avondale Elementary School. She holds membership in Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, and the Tabernacle Baptist Church, the latter pastored by the Rev. Wm. P. Vaughn.

Mrs. Wilhelmina H. Scretchin, of Atlanta, Ga., was elected as assistant secretary.



local P. C. Jackson
Gardner C. Taylor, Brooklyn, New York will be guest speaker at the meeting of National Baptist Sunday School and B.Y.P.U. Congress in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, June 16-22, 1952, at the City Auditorium, Kilbarn Avenue and State Street, Milwaukee, Wis.

dat 6-17-52
Taylor is pastor of Concord Baptist Church, Brooklyn, New York. He is a member of Local School Board 27 in Brooklyn and member of the Urban League of Greater New York.

10,000 Attend Baptist Congress

By B. H. LOGAN

THE LABORATORY SCHOOL, the graduate division of the Congress, is under the direction of Miss Mildred McTyre of New York. Those assisting Miss McTyre in these advance studies are Mrs. A. A. Banks Jr., Michigan; Mrs. Elnora J. Cooper, District of

KEE, Wis.—Approximately 10,000 delegates from every state in the union attended the annual session of the National Baptist Sunday Baptist Training Union Congress here from the City Auditorium. Dr. W. H. Jernagin and I presided over the sessions.

address was de- participated in the welcome services. Dean of the con- Mrs. W. G. Hynes made a hit with her pictures showing the

ev. A. Franklin Columbia, and Charles A. Rowan, Alabama. Dean Fisher is exceedingly proud of this laboratory school of experience.

S OF the meeting Congress musical on Pittsburgh, with probably be host to the Congress in 1953.

ored and directed were: Mrs. Lil- Leaders like David A. Delaver, annell and W. O. W. A. Arvin, Mrs. B. R. Hairston, s: Geneva Dukes, the Rev. James B. Cayce, Wil- Lindsey, pianist; liam Lowe, the Revs. S. L. Spear, pianist; Clariee J. C. Hairston and A. M. Waller,

Vorothy Fisher, pi who was assistant secretary of the Pastors' Division, will be supported in using their influence to have the Congress to meet in Pittsburgh.

es by Drs. W. H. progress of Negro Baptists. A pageant "These Are They," V. Jemison, E. C. written by Mrs. Pauline Campbell was dramatically presented to

errell, F. W. Strick- more than 7,000 loyal Baptists Thursday night. Mrs. Campbell from Michigan was aided in her

W. R. Brown, Mis- work by the following: the Rev. Wallace, Secretary, S. H. James, Texas; Mrs. M. M. Christian educa- Isaac, Tennessee; the Rev. Porter

School Publishing Hatcher, Kentucky; the Rev. T. O. Chappell, Oklahoma; Mrs. Evelyn M. Jackson, Ohio; Mrs. Grace

lle, Tenn: A. P. Burt, Louisiana; Mrs. Etta Frye, Washington, D. C.; the Rev. J. L. Burt, Georgia, and the Rev. H. G. Knight, Virginia. A reception

ois: Dr. Granville was held for the young people on Thursday night.

ia; Prof. John Hal- THE MINISTERS' Wives Division and the Pastors' Division were largely attended. Mrs. M. O. Ross of Michigan was leader of the Wives' Division, and Mrs. Julia Borders of Georgia was the

er. Gardner Taylor, instructor.

r. R. W. Rife, Ten- Leader of the Pastor's Division was the Rev. Roy Love, Tennessee. The following served as instructors: Dr. J. H. Jackson, Illinois; the Rev. V. A. Edwards, Tennessee; the Rev. Merrill Booker, District of Columbia; the Rev. W. H. Borders, Georgia, and the Rev. H. G. Knight, Virginia.

ev. C. R. Williams, Secretary, Baptist Training, Dr. C. Lopez, President, Salem Union, sermons by the Revs. gin, T. E. Weems, Wilson, Ohio, and J. Louisiana.

ERVICES

the program on Tues- featured Mayor ler, Dr. W. G. Maas, y Auditorium; the than, the Rev. J. R. the AME Church; rsey, the Rev. T. T. eral chairman of the ee, and the Rev. S. Michigan.

TOWNSEND, sec- day School Publish- Allen, president of Theological Sem- lege, delivered time- Lemuel B. Foster of states Treasury De- s also a Congress J. R. Brawley, par-

Dr. Hammond Quits Seton Hall U. For NCCJ Post

RANGE — Dr. Francis M. Hammond, former head of the Philosophy Department, Seton Hall University, has been appointed director, National Commission on Religious Organizations of the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

In his new duties this month's appointment — New Jersey Afro-American foretold in its Jan. 19 issue announced today in New York by Dr. Everett R. Clinchy, president of

distinguished Catholic work with the commission, the Rev. Allyn, in promoting the organization in co-operation with Protestant, Catholic and Jewish religious organizations.

Commission's Program of the commission with clergymen, religious and seminary students in the field of human relations, seminars and intergroup relations; leadership for Summer conferences to create understanding among the people of different religious

program materials for churches and throughout the country. Clinchy's Tribute

mission also prepares for the armed services, the relationship between the church at home and the democracy in all parts of the world.

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Dr. Hammond is a director of scholarships for colored students. He received the James M. Smith Award presented annually by the Catholic Interracial Council to a white and a colored person making outstanding contributions to the cause of inter-

racial justice.

Born in 1911 at Liverpool, Nova Scotia, Dr. Hammond received his early education in New Jersey schools.

Academic Career

He attended Howard University, New York University, and received his bachelor's degrees from Xavier University, New Orleans (1937), and the University of Louvain, Belgium (1938).

In 1940 he earned the Licentiate in Philosophy from the University of Louvain, and in 1943 the Doctor of Philosophy at Laval University in Quebec.

He began his teaching career in 1940 at Xavier University where he taught philosophy. In 1945 he was made head of the modern language department at Southern University.

Seton Hall Post

The following year he joined the Seton Hall faculty as professor of philosophy. In 1947 he was named head of the Philosophy Department.

In this capacity he supervised a staff of 14 full-time teachers and four priests teaching part-time at Seton Hall.

Other Affiliations

Dr. Hammond is a former member of the executive committee of the Commission on Educational Organizations of the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

He was a delegate to the third national conference of the United States National Commission for UNESCO, where he participated in the religious organizations group meetings.

He is an active member of the NAACP, the Urban League, and the Civil Rights Commission of Orange, N.J., where he resides with his wife and five daughters.

By Connelley, J. J.

Race Prof. Appointed To High National Post

NEW YORK — Dr. Francis M. Hammond, former head of the Philosophy Department of Seton Hall University, has been appointed assistant director of the National Commission on Religious Organizations of the National Conference of Christians and

Xavier University from 1940 to 1945 when he went to Southern University.

In 1946 he was appointed to the faculty of Seton Hall University and in 1947 was made head of the Philosophy Department there, supervising fourteen full-time teachers and four priests teaching part time. He is an affiliate of UNESCO in addition to other high posts.



DR. F. M. HAMMOND

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Annual Meeting For 1952

CHARLES H. BONNER
Ind.—Members of the committee of the National Council of Churches U.S.A. met in Atlanta, Georgia as the annual meeting of the organization, scheduled for Jan. 4. Representatives of a majority of the denominational groups met at the Baptist church Jan. 4. The winter board meeting was held with Rev. H. H. Jernagin, Washington, chairman of the board of the group pre-arranging devotions and committees were appointed. A statement was made by the council president, Bishop J. H. Jernagin of Chicago; minutes of the previous meeting were read. Discussion was held on the proposed business including constitution and by-laws, the women's division and the election of a representative to the board of the Korean committee. The vote was made by the council and by Dr. George Jernagin, Ohio, secretary of the various com-

the entire world, and to Almighty God." Attention was called to an editorial comment on the project in the Jan. 2, 1952 issue of Christian Century magazine in which the following observation was made "What the Negro Churches Are Concerned With Is Not Theology." They are persuaded that if they can induce their fellow American Christians to join them in praying to God about social justice which is denied them, it will have an effect on those Christians whatever its effect on the deity.

Another highlight preceding the session was a mass meeting held Jan. 15 at the St. Paul Baptist church with Rev. L. K. Jackson, pastor, presiding.

Pastors and congregations of the Gary Midtown Area serving as hosts to the council meeting participated in the public meeting. Visiting clergymen were introduced to the public and a statement on the work of the national council was made by Bishop W. J. Walls, president.

Organized in 1933, the council includes 11 denominational groups. It has met annually since that date. Dr. J. H. Peters of Ebenezer Methodist church, Washington, was selected to represent the council on a tour of the Korean combat area.

Present officers include Bishop W. J. Walls, Chicago, president; Dr. George Lucas, Dayton, Ohio, executive secretary and Dr. W. H. Jernagin, Washington, chairman, executive committee.

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ght of the meeting was of the executive secretary Call to Prayer Jan. 1952. The council was made to the nationwide cooperation project which asked all Christians to join with

ill in prayer "in order the plight of the Negro dramatically to the attention of the United States and of

Council Of Churches To Select Permanent Location

DETROIT, Mich.—The National Council of Churches may select its permanent location this spring, judging by developments at an all-day session of the organization's Headquarters Location Committee, January 18.

The 25-member committee, charged with recommending a city for the future home of the Council, seems likely to conclude its detailed study in time to present its findings to the May meeting of the General Board—the Council's policy-making body—in Chicago.

Under the chairmanship of Dr. Edwin T. Dahlberg of St. Louis, the committee heard from Chicago, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus and Pittsburgh press their claims to be home city for the organization which has a 31,000,000 constituency.

Dr. Dahlberg, former president of the American Baptist Convention and pastor of the Delmar Baptist Church, St. Louis, succeeds Harold E. Stassen as committee chairman. Mr. Stassen, who resigned his chairmanship as he entered the presidential race, continues as a committee member.

At the same session, the committee received communications from New York City inviting the Council to establish headquarters there, as well as offering cooperation from various groups.

In an executive session to consider future moves, the committee authorized Dr. Dahlberg to appoint an interim committee of not more than five members, including himself, and gave it a four-fold job. The interim groups will:

- 1) Determine time and place for the next meeting, probably in April.
- 2) Direct further research which it deems advisable.
- 3) Ascertain whether any of the 29 constituent communions contemplates moving its headquarters, and if so, whether this should be taken into consideration.
- 4) Bring to the full committee a recommendation on permanent location and possibly also an alternate plan.

In clarifying the action, Dr. Earl Frederick Adams, an administrative secretary of the National Council, explained that the interim committee was free not only to recommend a site as a permanent location but

also to recommend leasing of a short-term headquarters. At present the business of the National Council is carried on in offices in six buildings in New York and its Division of Christian Education is in Chicago.

Dr. Adams said that a choice for the permanent headquarters probably will be made from among the six cities but the committee is free, if it desires, to consider other communities. In this connection, he disclosed that Indianapolis, through its Council of Churches, had asked reconsideration on the grounds that the committee had acted on inadequate information in eliminating the Indiana city from further consideration. Indianapolis was one of the 12 cities that extended an invitation to the National Council.

Church Research Assistant Is Made Director

NEW YORK, N. Y.—The Rev. Ernest Lefever, former research assistant at Yale Divinity School, has been elected associate executive director of the Department of International Justice and Goodwill of the National Council of Churches. It was announced recently by Dr. Samuel McCrea Cavert, general secretary of the Council.

A Church of the Brethren minister, Mr. Lefever was field secretary of World's Alliance of YMCA's from 1945-48, supervising welfare work among German prisoners of war in Europe. Subsequently he conducted two round-the-world tours for Educational Trips for Youth Argosy Inc.

For the past two years, Mr. Lefever has been a writer for a weekly radio program, "Religion at the News Desk," originating in New Haven, Conn. The program, called "a Protestant interpretation of national and world events," is written by a committee of students from Yale Divinity School and Yale Graduate School.

A native of York, Pa., Mr. Lefever attended Elizabethtown College, Elizabethtown, Pa., Yale Divinity School and the Yale Graduate School.

He was a delegate to the Oslo World Christian Youth Conference in 1947, a member of the Race Relations Department of the former Federal Council of Churches and a former member of the administrative committee of the United Christian Youth Movement. In 1947-48 he served as foreign correspondent from Germany for the Christian Century, undenominational religious journal.

The National Council of Churches' Department of International Justice and Goodwill, headed by Doctor Walter W. Van Kirk, works in the field of international relations to achieve world order and justice. The Department is part of the Council's Division of Christian Life and Work.

Church Council Sidesteps Stand On Segregation

NEW YORK.—(NNPA) —The general board of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U. S. A. ducked taking an official stand on racial segregation in Protestant and Eastern Orthodox churches last Friday by postponing action on adoption of a policy statement on "The Churches and Segregation."

Holding its bi-monthly meeting at the Hotel Commodore here, the board received the statement from the council's division of Christian Life and Work. The statement condemned segregation as "a denial of our Christian faith" and charged that segregation in the United States is given "moral sanction."

Postponement of the vote on the segregation issue was a victory for southern churches. The vote to delay action came after the Rev. John S. Land of New Orleans, "disassociated" members of the Presbyterian Church of the United States from the statement, and the motion to postpone was made by the Rev. John Q. Schisler of Nashville, Tenn. The vote was 15 to 15.

The board adopted a statement on "The Churches and the Problems of Narcotic Addiction." The statement calls for increased governmental action at "international, state and local levels," aimed at cutting off the sources of narcotics supply and the establishment of treatment centers and an educational program.

rch Group Delays Action Anti-Segregation Policy

NEW YORK, March 21 (AP) — In a heated debate, the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U. S. A. today postponed action on a proposed policy against racial segregation.

For the first time the council, which represents most major Protestant and orthodox denominations in America, had taken up the issue of the churches and their role in the segregation debate. The debate saw one Negro delegate favoring and another opposing postponement. P. 12

The vote of 27 to 15 was deferred until June 11 action on a document designed to put the council on record for a "non-segregated church" and a non-segregated society.

General Bishop Henry Knox, council president, urged careful study of the proposal before the June meeting, which will be held in Chicago.

The postponement was at a bi-monthly session of the council's general board made up of delegates from the 29 affiliated denominations with some 31 million members.

The vote came after the Rev. John S. Land, of New Orleans, of the Presbyterian Church of the South (Southern), "disassociated" himself from the proposal. P. 3-22-52

Abbie C. Jackson, a Negro, of Nashville, Ky., representing the Methodist Episcopal Zion Church, said the delay "would be a down a large number of members of our churches throughout the country."

Bishop W. J. Walls, of Chicago, representing the same denomination, favored the delay, saying he wanted to allow time for the largest group of Christians in the United States "to get to the point on this most important issue."

William S. Terrell, a West Virginia delegate of the American Baptist Convention, applauded when she said the council should make clear the delay was only to gain "a more united church" and not for lack of moral principle.

Powell Says Group Crucified Christ On Cross Of Bigotry

BY THE SCOTT NEWS SYNDICATE
Special To The Atlanta Daily World

NEW YORK CITY — (SNS) — Members of the Abyssinian Baptist Church, visibly stirred by delaying tactics on the segregation issue, voted at two regular church meetings to resign from the National Council of Churches of Christ in the United States.

The action by the Harlem communicants Sunday came after the council's general board last Friday refused to adopt a policy statement that vigorously denounces segregation.

The church balloting followed a sermon by the Rev. Dr. Adam Clayton Powell, Jr., who sharply criticized the council's decision to postpone action on the 3,500-word document denouncing segregation as "a denial of our Christian faith" and in "diametric" opposition to what Christians believe about the dignity of man.

Dr. Powell, a Democrat representative in the Congress from the Twenty-second District of New York, posed the question: "How can we expect the legislators of America to be more Christ-like than their clergymen?"

He addressed his remarks to members of his church, the largest Protestant church in the country, whose latest reported enrollment of communicants is 12,000—most of whom are Negroes.

The general board of the National Council of Churches is expected to take action on the racial issue at its June 11 meeting in Chicago. At the time the Abyssinian Baptist Church took issue with the council, the national church body had before it a revision of a statement approved in 1946 by the former Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, which was absorbed in the council in 1950.

Dr. Powell attacked the council's stand in sermons in which he urged that the council "call and immediately have a meeting and reconsider this subject."

The resolution, adopted by more than 2,000 communicants attending two morning services, declared in its preamble that racial segregation "is the most acute question facing the world today." The delaying action of the council was called "an open breach upon the true tenets of Christianity."

"Such tactics are yielding to the minority voices of those who represent the reactionary churches of

the South," the resolution stated. "There can never be any true autonomy of the World Church movement apart from total integration of the Negro churches in the whole affairs of Christendom. It is high time that discrimination be erased from every phase of Christian life," it added.

Dr. Powell asserted that "Today, the best idea in the world—democracy—is being defeated by the worst idea in the world—communism."

He added: "The leadership of the Christian Church has abdicated its position in American life. Christian ministers, as indicated by the action of the council, have again crucified Jesus on the cross of bigotry, and modern-day Judases have sold Him for thirty pieces of white supremacy silver."

Church Council Defers Action On Segregation Proposed Policy Statement

Is Laid Aside at Session
Here of General Board

The official stand of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U. S. A. on racial segregation in Protestant and Eastern Orthodox churches was left undecided yesterday when the Council's General Board voted to postpone action concerning adoption of a policy statement on "The Churches and Segregation." The board held its bi-monthly meeting in the Hotel Commodore.

The statement, submitted by the council's Division of Christian Life and Work, condemned segregation as "a denial of our Christian faith" and charged that segregation in the United States is given "moral sanction" by the fact that own life and practice.

Vote of Postponement

The vote of postponement of the segregation issue came after the Rev. John S. Land, of New Orleans, for the Presbyterian Church of the United States, "disassociated" his members from the proposal, and after the motion to postpone was made by the Rev. John Q. Schisler of Nashville, Tenn. The vote was 27 to 15.

Among the resolutions adopted by the Council's General Board yesterday was a policy statement on "United States Immigration and Naturalization Policy" expressing the belief that the adoption by Congress of "enlightened" immigration and naturalization laws would "add immeasurably to the moral stature of the United States" and would "hearten those nations with which we are associated in a common effort to establish the conditions of a just and durable peace."

The resolution calls for adoption of a more flexible quota system, elimination of discriminatory provisions based upon color, race or sex, and the establishment of fair hearings and appeals regarding the issuance of visas and deportation proceedings.

Narcotics Curbs Urged

A statement on "The Churches and the problems of Narcotic Addiction" was also adopted by the board. It calls for increased governmental action at "international, state and local levels," aimed at drying up the sources of narcotic supply and the establishment of treatment centers and an educational program.

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A resolution urging member churches to give careful study to the report of the United States Senate subcommittee on "Ethical Standards in Government," including a commendation of the subcommittee for its report, was also adopted by the council's general board yesterday.

Segregation Issue Evaded By Protestants

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Churches Negroes on Fields

ELD, OHIO, June 16
dominantly white of Churches said there are two
nominations now have reasons for the increase in Negro
Negro missionaries: "There are available
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Council Board Urges Action

CHICAGO—The National Coun-
cil of Churches of Christ in the
USA voted last Wednesday to take
up the torch in the crusade for the
ending of racial segregation in
member churches, schools and so-
ciety throughout the nation.

In an historic meeting here, the
council's general board adopted a
program that calls for a "non-seg-
regated society," with represen-
tatives of the Presbyterian Church
refusing to vote for fear it would
"cause a disruption of the racial
gains our church has been mak-
ing."

This move was spearheaded by
the work of Oscar Lee, chairman
of the Council's Department of
Racial and Cultural Relations.

The Rev. John R. Anderson, pastor of
St. Charles Ave. Presbyterian
Church, New Orleans, one of the
two Presbyterian representatives,
asserted that the board's state-
ment placed "under stress on co-
ercion and would cause disruption
and ill will among the races."

South Wants Gradualism
Continuing, the Dixie minister
declared that "The sweeping
changes advocated by this docu-
ment must be done gradually. You
cannot establish the kingdom by
force." Others felt that it can be
established only by force.

National Council of Churches in the U.S.A.

Dr. Benjamin Lacey, of Rich-
mond, Va., introduced a substi-
tute statement which was defeat-
ed.

"Why The Church?"

Dr. Henry A. Loyd, secretary,
publishing board of the National
Baptist Convention of America,
Nashville, stated that in the home
where colored persons cooked the
the meals of whites and brought
up their children, there is no seg-
regation.

"Why, he asked, "does segrega-
tion then exist in the church?"
In its indictment of segregation,
the Council Board criticized the
practice because:

(1) It subjects sections of our
population to constant humiliation
and forces upon them moral psy-
chological handicaps; (2) the the-
ory of "separate but equal" treat-
ment under a segregation system
never works; (3) it cuts off mil-
lions of citizens from free access
to means of making a living;

(4) Large numbers of citizens
are disfranchised and discriminat-
ed against as a result of fears
and mutual suspicions, and (5) it
increases and accentuates racial
tensions, as shown by the infre-
quent number of race riots in
neighborhoods with mixed popu-
lations.

Dr. Luther A. Weigle, dean-emer-
itus of Yale University Divinity
School, said "Nothing that can
ever come before his council is of
such momentous importance as
the principle contained in this docu-
ment. This is a test on whether
the churches dare to live up to
their principles."

Dr. Pitt Beers of NYC, member
of the home mission board of the
American Baptist Convention,
pointed out that segregation "does
not apply just to colored-white re-
lations. It is just as applicable to
Orientals, American Indians and
Jews. Race tensions are a national
problem, not sectional."

'Slavishly' Follow Custom

Declaring that the churches in
their institutions and employment
practices have followed "slavishly
the segregation pattern of public
schools and institutions, the coun-
cil's statement called upon them
to set their "houses in order."

The statement demanded that
the churches and church schools
take steps to seek unsegregated
residential communities where
day-to-day relations will develop
among people of all races, colors,
and national origins."

The board voted to move the
council's headquarters to the Mid-
west some time after 1962.
New York will remain temporary
headquarters until the new office
is established.

tee is to select the new site before
the end of the year.

Church Council Adopts Policy Against Bias

Spearheaded by the work of Os-
car Lee, the general board of the
National Council of Churches of
Christ in the USA pledged its
member churches to the task of
establishing of a non-segregated
church and a non-segregated so-
ciety.

The board voted with only two
abstentions and no votes against
it to adopt a statement calling
for member churches ((29 Pro-
testant and Eastern Orthodox de-
nominations) to end Jim Crow
within their own spheres of op-
eration.

In other action at the NCCC
board meeting, the Council voted
New York as temporary national
headquarters for the next 10 years
and that a midwestern city, yet
to be chosen, eventually become
the national headquarters.

Action taken on segregation cli-
maxed months of haggling over
this issue which has stood ever
since the Council was formed in
1950. Only outspoken opponents of
the proposal were two delegates
from the Presbyterian church
U. S., representing southern Pres-
byterians.

Church Council Believe Race Relations Better

NEW YORK—There are hopeful
signs that the U. S. is moving for-
ward toward greater "unity in race
relations," a special message issued
this week by the National Council
of the Churches of Christ in the U.
S. A. declared.

Prepared for Race Relations
Sunday to be observed February 10,
the message entitled, "Of One
Blood," called on the churches "to
hasten" the day when all people
will "not only tolerate one another,
but love each other."

"A revolution in race relations
has been taking place in America
in the last decade," the message as-
serted, "old fetters are breaking
and a new spirit of reconciliation is
abroad in the land."

In connection with the message,
Dr. J. Oscar Lee, executive director
of the Department of Racial and
Cultural Relations of the National
Council announced a series of po-
sitive actions taken by the churches
to further inter-racial understand-
ing.

He said that churches, either in-
dividually or in groups, have press-
ed for the elimination of segrega-
tion to wipe out lynching and mob
violence and worked with employer
groups, professional organizations
and unions to establish employment
practices based on skill and char-
acter rather than race, color, or
national origin.

Other measures taken by the
churches, Dr. Lee said, are efforts
to ban restricted housing covenants,
support for decent housing condi-
tions for all people, and a careful
scrutiny of their own racial atti-
tudes and practices.

But despite these encouraging
trends, the Race Relations message
declared, "the vague fact of color"
and the vaguer theories of race" of-
ten win out over the "deeper fact"
of the brotherhood of all men.

Drawing attention to the fact
that the Christian faith "condemns
all racial divisions," the message
noted that the churches themselves
have "succumbed largely to racial
lines."

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Director Of
Tuskegee Program

TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE, Ala.
The Rev. V. A. Ed-
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Church in Town and
Communities;" "The
Community Council;"
and Stories for Wor-
to Youth Groups;"
al Church Facing Its
and many others.

Churches In America Have 691,852 Membership

NEW YORK — The family of the National Council of the Churches of Christ, in the U. S. A. — 29 constituent communions — has 33,691,852 church members, 143,098 churches and 122,769 pastors having charges.

The latest official statistics for the National Council of Churches are compiled by the National Council's Department of Research and Survey, for the Year Book of American Churches, which was published September 15.

Numerically, the National Council of Churches is the largest religious organization in the United States. A detailed table of statistics for the constituent communions of the National Council is:

Number of Churches Inclusive Pastors Having Membership Charges

Methodist Episcopal	5,878	1,166,301	5,878
Methodist Episcopal Zion ..	3,090	728,150	3,440
Southern Baptist Convention	6,706	1,554,304	5,500
Lutheran Evangelical Lutheran ..	1,121	465,062	763
of the Brethren	1,030	186,358	818
Methodist Episcopal	2,469	392,167	1,820
Evangelical Christian	5,620	1,241,477	3,280
Moravian Brethren	32	4,090	6
Evangelical Lutheran	82	19,899	63
Evangelical United Brethren	4,457	720,544	3,128
Evangelical and Reformed	4,457	720,544	3,128
Five Years Meeting	490	68,612	279
of Philadelphia & Vicinity ..	46	5,743	none
National Convention of			
Principles of Christ	7,835	1,792,985	3,692
list	39,961	9,065,727	21,979
an	149	43,856	122
al Baptist Convention			
America	10,851	2,645,789	27,237 *
al Baptist Convention			
S. A., Inc.	25,350	4,467,779	25,350
erian U. S.	3,665	702,266	1,872
erian U. S. A.	8,317	2,364,112	5,343
ant Episcopal	7,116	2,417,464	6,473 *
ed in America	767	187,256	278
an Orthodox of America	47	50,000	no report
Orthodox of America	399	400,000	no report
Day Baptist	60	6,187	45
Antiochian Orthodox	77	75,000	77
an Orthodox of America	47	40,250	34
Lutheran	3,860	1,925,506	2,918
Presbyterian	830	219,027	594
Total	143,098	33,691,852	122,769

Total ordained clergy.

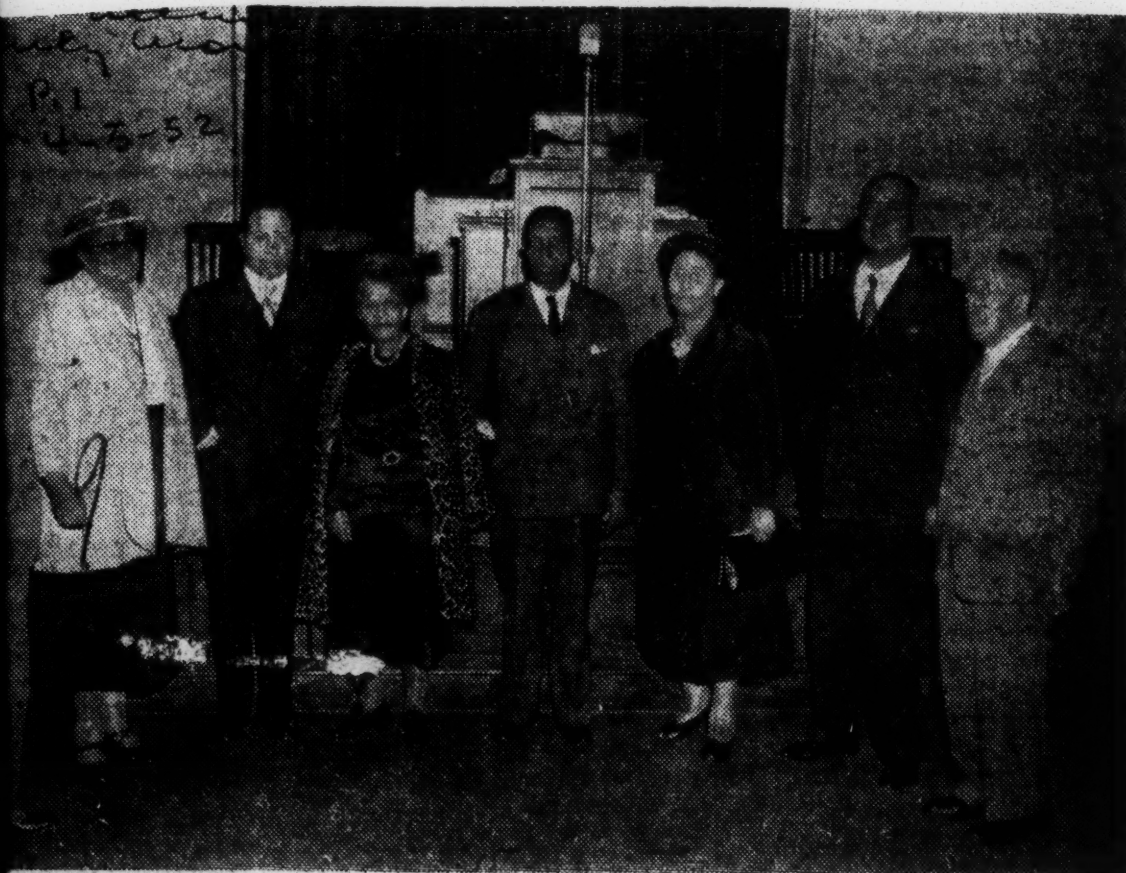
Dr. R. P. Daniel Named V.-Pres. Of Church Body

PETERSBURG, Va. — Dr. Robert P. Daniel, president of Virginia State College, was elected one of six vice-presidents-at-large of the National Council of Churches of Christ in the United States of America at its meeting held recently in Denver, Colo.

The Council includes 30 denominations, and representatives of 147,000 American churches attended the Denver meeting at which Dr. Daniel was elected to the position. The National Council is successor to the original Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America.

DR. DANIEL, a member of the National Baptist Convention, is a former president of the Association of Northern Baptist Educational Institutions. For fourteen years he was president of Shaw University in Raleigh, N. C.

The college head was also recently named vice-president of the Conference of Presidents of Negro Land Grant Colleges and vice-chairman of the Virginia Advisory Committee on Schools and Colleges.



ALL OFFICERS — Bishop A. W. Womack left, succeeds Bishop W. J. Walls of the National Fraternal Council which ended its conference here. Council officers (left to right) are Dr. H. I. Bearden, Mrs. Geneva Haugabrooks, George Lucas, Mrs. Dollie J. Alexander, Mrs. W. H. Jernigan, Dr. W. H. Borders, and Dr. W. H. Jernigan. — (Adair's Photo)

All Leads Flock's Withdrawal

Abyssinian Quits Church Council

al to Take Firm Stand Against Bias Causes Action; Rift Widens

ORK—(ANP)—The Abyssinian Baptist Church, the Rev. Adam Clayton Powell, pastor, last week the council to withdraw from the National Council of Churches for the council's decision to postpone action of each of the twenty-nine affiliated denominations with some 31,000,000 members. Bishop Henry Knox Sherrill, council president, urged the council on re-segregated church "more careful study" of the proposal.

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resolution calling for reconsideration of the questions by the council before the June 11 meeting to be held in Chicago.

The Rev. Mr. Powell, pastor of the church which claims to have the largest Protestant congregation in the country, denounced the council's decision and termed it "an open breach upon the true tenets of Christianity." He urged the council to "call and immediately have a meeting and reconsider this subject."

He added: "Christian ministers, as indicated by the action of the council, have again crucified Jesus on the cross of bigotry, and modern-day Judases have sold Him for thirty pieces of white supremacy silver."

BISHOP D. Ward Nichols of the AME Church issued a statement "roundly condemning the failure of the National Council to take positive action on racial segregation," but said his church would not withdraw from the Protestant organization.

In voting against a delay in consideration of segregation in churches, Mrs. Abbie C. Jackson, Louisville, Ky., representing the AME Zion Church, said the delay "would be letting down a large number of our churches throughout the country."

But Bishop W. J. Walls of Chicago, representing the same denomination, favored the delay. He said he wanted to allow time for "the largest group of Christians in the United States" to get together "on this most important question."

Mrs. William S. Terrell, a West Hartford, Conn., delegate of the American Baptist Convention, said the board should make clear the delay was only to gain "a more united front" and not for lack of moral principle.

But Dr. Ralph Lloyd, of Maryville, Tenn., of the Presbyterian Church of the U. S. A., Northern, objected to the delay, and said the proposal should be endorsed "as soon as possible."

National Fraternal Council of Churches To Meet

ATLANTA, Ga. — (ANP) — Some 11 church denominations representing more than 8,000 church members will be hosts to the annual session of the National Fraternal Council of Churches, Inc., which meets here April 2-4.

Among the noted church leaders who are outlining plans for the meeting are: The Revs. H. I. Bearden, M. L. King, W. M. Borders, R. B. Chorts, W. B. Turner, Bryson and Dr. Rufus Clement.

Bishops who will participate include J. W. E. Bowen, Arthur W. Womack and S. L. Greene.

The National Fraternal Council of Churches, Inc., was organized more than 20 years ago by Bishop Reverdy Ransom, R. A. Carter and the later Dr. L. K. Williams. Its purpose is to unite the strength of the group to work for the betterment of the social, economic and political life of minority groups. It has a bureau in Washington.

Officers include: Bishop W. J. Walls, president; W. H. Jernigan, chairman of the executive board, and the Rev. George W. Lucas, executive secretary. A new president will be elected at this meeting.

Bishop A. Womack Named by Council

ATLANTA, Ga. (ANP)—The National Fraternal Council of Churches of the U.S.A. Inc., during its national annual session at Wheat St. Baptist Church, recently drafted Bishop Arthur W. Womack of Indiana to be president.

The bishop succeeds a number of noted presidents. Among them are: Bishop R. C. Ransom, AME Church; the late Bishop J. A. Bracy, CME; Dr. J. M. Bracy, St. Louis, Mo.; Bishop A. P. Shaw, the Methodist Church; Bishop John Clayborn, AME; W. H. Jernigan, National Baptist Convention, and Bishop William J. Walls, AME Zion.

Bishop Womack formerly was pastor in Philadelphia, Washington, Detroit, St. Louis, Mo., Memphis, Tenn., Indianapolis, Ind., and Dayton, Ohio. The council was one of the chief sources which made possible for Bishop J. A. Gregg and Bishop W. J. Walls to visit war fronts and influence legislation in behalf of minorities.

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NATIONAL SURVEY OF SERMON SUBJECTS

National Survey To Select Sermon Topics

Received Sat. 7-12-52

which various churches have used

NEW YORK—The first national survey of sermon subjects will be

published in the July issue of

Guideposts, according to Dr. Nor-

vincent Peale, Editor in

chief. The magazine's readers will

be asked to fill out a simple

questionnaire which closes the

over spread article entitled,

"What subjects for a sermon in-

terest you most?"

The questionnaire has two parts.

Section No. 1 asks the reader to

check from a list of eight, those

sermon subjects which are of

most interest to him.

Section No. 2 allows the reader

to write in a sermon subject or

subjects on which a sermon would

be most helpful. To help in mak-

ing a special analysis of the find-

ings, this Guideposts questionnaire

asks for the reader's religious per-

son and an indication of

church attendance, whether regu-

larly, frequently, or seldom. Fill-

ed forms are mailed to the pub-

lication at Pawling, N. Y.

Guideposts magazine is ideally

suited to make this national study

possible because it is approved and read

by members of all three faiths.

Guideposts plans to announce the findings

in a fall issue. This will help

ministers and churches in their

pastoral services.

Many clergymen will want to

make this same survey of sermon

subjects among their own congrega-

tions. Therefore, Guideposts is

making special arrangements for

quantity reprints of the article and

questionnaire for those who write

for the magazine at Pawling, N. Y.

Church leaders believe this is apt

to be one of the most helpful

pieces of religious research made

in a long time.

The project was suggested and

developed for Guideposts by Wil-

fred A. Pleuthner, author of the

religious best-seller, "Building Up

Our Congregation," and a vice

president of Batten, Barton, Dur-

ne and Osborn. It puts on a

national basis and a local basis

the same type of tested surveys

Honored For Christian Service

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respective fields.

Dr. Carey's read, "This copy is given to Reverend Archibald J. Carey in appreciation of your efforts to apply the principles of Christianity to the field of democratic government in Chicago."

The other persons honored were: Lawrence A. Kimpton, Chancellor of the University of Chicago; Dr. Gerhard W. Grauer, President of the Church Federation of Greater Chicago; Miss Anne Brown, President of the United Christian Youth Fellowship of Chicagoland; and John Nuveen, President of the Sunday Evening Club.

ARCHIBALD J. CAREY, JR.

Chicago, Ill.—Dr. Archibald J. Carey, Jr., pastor of Quinn Chapel and Alderman of the Third Ward, was one of five persons honored for outstanding Christian service on Sunday, October 13, at the Chicago Sunday Evening Service, a downtown, non-sectarian Christian organization. The occasion was the observance of the publication of the new version of the Holy Bible and the forty-sixth season of the Sunday Evening Club, which holds services and presents outstanding speakers each Sunday night at Orchestra Hall.

A gift was a presentation of the New Revised Standard Edition of the Bible which was published in the month of September. Only five were allocated to each city and were dedicated for the persons who had the outstanding contribution of Christian service to their

Orthodox Christian Spiritual Churches and Successful 20th Annual Assembly

SACRAMENTO, Cal. — The 20th annual national Assembly of the Universal David Spiritual Temple Christ Church Union, (Incorporated) United States of America, representing the Orthodox Christian Spiritual Faith and Interracial Churches for All Nations, with Archbishop David William Short, Primate, president and moderator, of Des Moines, Iowa, presiding, ended successfully.

The assembly was held at David Spiritual Temple of Christ Church, 9th Avenue, with the Rev. David A. Perry, pastor - host. Among the prominent ministers delivered sermons on programs in the assembly as follows: — Dr. Bishop N. K. Panchel, Bishop of the Orthodox Christian Spiritual Faith and Churches for All Nations, Primate in Christ, of Bombay, India.; Rt. Rev. George B. Hills, National Spiritual Evangelist, of Los Angeles, Calif.; Rev. C. E. Davis, pastor and evangelist of San Francisco, Calif.; Rev. G. Johnson, pastor of Sacramento, Calif.; Rev. D. Short, pastor and evangelist, Los Angeles, Calif.; Rev. G. W. Watkins, pastor, of Kansas City; Rev. David O. Perry, pastor, Sacramento, California; and Archbishop David William Short, Primate and president, of Des Moines, Iowa. Addresses were read to the assembly from: — Bishop Emeritus A. Tomlinson, Senior Bishop and General overseer of the Church of God, of Queens village, N. Y.; Rev. William D. Short, of Los Angeles, Calif.; and Prof. R. Simmons, of Duluth, Minn.

The agenda was as follows: in executive board meeting the delegates passed the following resolutions for the fiscal year 1953: world peace; for temperance, a federal F.E.P.C. law, for a federal anti-lynching law, for a federal civil rights law, for a federal anti-racial discrimination law, for a change of the U. S. state and house rules to limit debt, and for majority rule, against racial discrimination in so-called Christian churches.

The Archbishop proclaimed a special nation-wide crusade for members and the organizing of new spiritual churches in 1953. He headed this spiritual crusade with Archbishop Short, Primate of the national diocese, officially ap-

pointed and certified the Right Rev. George B. Hills, of Los Angeles, Calif., the Rev. David Owen Perry, of Sacramento, Calif., and Dr. Bishop N. K. Panchel, Sr. Bishop of India. They have been certified as national and international spiritual evangelists, teachers, message-bearers, gifted divine healers and spiritual church organizers.

During the national executive board meeting the following officers were affirmed for the year 1953, to-wit:— national officers: Abp. David William Short, primate, president and founder office and headquarters - 1729 E. Walker St., Des Moines 16, Ia. Rev. Miss Edith Miller, 2nd vice-president, 1422 1-2 E. 18th St., Kansas City, Mo. Rev. G. H. Watkins, 3rd vice-president, 2319 Campbell St., Kansas City, Mo. Missionary Nancy Christian Short, executive secretary-treasurer, 1729 E. Walker St., Des Moines, Ia. Missionary Goldie Sampson, recording secretary, 1905 E. 16th St., Kansas City Mo. 1905 E. 16th St. Kansas City Mo. national deacon Olie Williams Archbishop's Attendant, 1422 1-2 E. 18th St. Kansas City, Mo., Missionary Emma J. Williams, chairman of Archbishop's Welfare League, 1422 1-2 E. 18th St. Kansas City, Mo., Rev. David Owen Perry 3334 Sacramento Blvd., Sacramento, nation church Organizer., Right Rev. George B. Hills, 1729 E. Walker St., Des Moines, Ia., national church organizer., Dr. Bishop N. K. Panchel, Bombay, India., inter-national church organizer.

Trustees and board of directors: - Abp. David William Short, president and general chairman., Rev. G. H. Watkins, and Rev. Miss Edith Miller, chairmen., Missionary Nancy C. Short, executive secretary., Rev. David O. Perry, Rt. Rev. G. B. Hills, and Dr. Bishop N. K. Panchel.

The 21st, annual national assembly in 1953 will be held at the national headquarters of the Universal Christian Spiritual Federation of Spiritual Churches, (Inc.) U.S.A., 1316 Vermont Avenue, N. W. Washington, D. C.

um On 5-Man Presbyterian am To Make European Tour

representative group of Presby- laymen will spend three visiting laymen in six Euro- countries late this summer the sponsorship of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presby- Church in the U. S. A. The of the deputation is to interpret American Protestant- Europeans and in turn to back from European laymen age for American laymen.

ing the group of five who will up the team, which is inter- are a manufacturer, a labor official, a banker, a farmer, an officer of the National ation for Infantile Paralysis. am will leave New York's In- onal Airport (Idlewild) Tues- ugust 26, 1952, at 6 p. m. n Daylight Saving Time on 960, TWA.

rman of the European Depu- is Edmund Wolfe, president First National Bank, Bridge- Connecticut, and a former nt of the American Bankers ation. He is also president of dgeport Housing Project, one outstanding of such projects country. Mr. Wolfe is treas- of the National Council of terian Men and a member of Church's Board of Foreign ns, serving as chairman of ard's Laymen's Committee.

les Bynum, 120 Broadway, York City, director of Inter- Activities of the National ation for Infantile Paralysis, rmerly assistant to the pre- of Tuskegee Institute, is al- member of the team. He is an and member of the Men's of St. James Presbyterian n, New York City. A third r is Lloyd Collins, machine manufacturer from Detroit, an. He is vice-president and manager of the Schroeder e Company. He is president Michigan Council of Presby- Men, an elder and superin- of the church school in the nster Presbyterian Church.

r members of the team are Thomas, Jr., 1345 E. Eyre Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. ist and treasurer of Lodge International Association of nists (affiliate of the A. F.

of L.) and active member of First Presbyterian Church of Kensington; and A. E. Aitchison, Cascade, Iowa, agriculturist who is also a leader in the National Council of Presbyter- ian Men.



CHARLES BYNUM

Standing In The Way

Colored Presbyterians in the Atlantic Synod which comprises more than 100 churches with 9,000 members in South Carolina, Alabama, Tennessee, North Carolina, Georgia and Florida, are overwhelm- ingly in favor of abolishing segregation in the church. *12-13-52*

Repeated requests have been addressed to the General Assembly of the church asking an end to the un-Christlike practice of separating Presbyterians according to race.

The General Assembly, in response to these demands, scheduled a meeting of the Mission board to review the whole issue of segregation. This meeting was held recently at Irmo, S.C. *p. 4*

But leaders of the Atlantic Synod who at- tended the Irmo meeting appeared to be completely out of step with the times as well as with the wishes of a majority of their members. *Practically*

Their unanimous vote to continue the out- moded segregated pattern was a shock to all churchmen present, a betrayal of those they were sent to represent and an affront to the teachings of Christ they profess.

Theirs was an unfortunate example of men too long in power, too blind to see and too stubborn to concede that the pa- rade of progress has long since passed them by.

Presbyterian Missions Name Evangelism Aide



The Rev. Dr. Jesse B. Barber

The Board of National Mis- sions of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A. has announced the appointment of the Rev. Dr.

Jesse Belmont Barber as a special agent of the Board of National Missions, effective Jan. 1.

White Presbyterian Churches Merger In San Francisco, Calif Negro and White Presbyterians Merge 2 San Francisco Parishes

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SAN FRANCISCO, May 4 (UP). — A Negro congregation with cramped quarters and a white Presbyterian parish whose pioneers built a church much too large for the present fifty members solved their problems today.

The Westminster Church, built in 1867 in a fashionable section of San Francisco, has a new pastor, Negro Minister Wesley L. Hawes, and has doubled its congregation by taking into membership the Rev. Mr. Hawes' entire flock from Hope Church.

"From now on we hope to be considered simply an all-Christian congregation," Pastor Hawes, a slim, scholarly man, said. The thirty-five-year-old Negro minister has a white assistant, the Rev. Orville E. Chadsey, twenty-seven. The merger of the two parishes is the first union of its kind in the West, according to church authorities.

In 1947 the Rev. Mr. Hawes started with a small house which he conducted as a community recreation center at 1776 Ellis St., in an area of the city where many Negroes live. Two years later he consecrated the building as Hope Presbyterian Church.

Almost immediately he had space problems, finding his house too small for the congregation. Westminster Church, at Page and Webster Sts., was having other problems. Services were being held in a small chapel adjoining the church and even the chapel was seldom filled. To add to that, the pastor left for another assignment.

The Rev. Pyron McMillen, associate general presbyter of San Francisco, told what happened next.

"The people from the two churches met and discussed their mutual problems. Because they had a problem they leaped barriers which ordinarily are not leaped. They were ordinary people, getting together of necessity in a very Christian way."

"My task is to help people become Christians," Pastor Hawes says. "If people become really

Christians—then, I feel, racial problems will solve themselves."

Both the white parishioners of Westminster and its new Negro parishioners from Hope Church voted 100 per cent for the merger.

"This thing has brought a new life into the church," said one middle-aged woman, a long-time member of the Westminster parish.

The Rev. Mr. Hawes' new parish has been cited as an example for the Christians of the United States and a demonstration to the Communists of real democracy. The quiet, ascetic pastor said it is "God's answer to a prayer."

"At a time like this, when our democracy is being ridiculed from within and without, our new church is tangible evidence that our way of life is good. It reassures us in democracy," Mr. Hawes said.

St. Andrews To Get \$100,000 From White Presbyterians

Under a Charleston, West Va. dateline the past week, it was announced that St. Andrews Presbyterian church of Nashville will receive One Hundred Thousand Dollars from the Presbyterian Dollar Fund the Presbyterians will raise.

It was stated that of the Two Million Dollars to be raised One Million Dollars will go to Solman College in Tuscaloosa, Ala., and the other million will be used to strengthen Negro churches throughout the Assembly. The sum for St. Andrews church, it is stated, is being raised by white churches in Tennessee.

Two Frisco churches, white, Negro, merge

SAN FRANCISCO, April 26—(AP)—Two San Francisco Presbyterian congregations—one entirely Negro, the other entirely white—are forming a single church under a Negro pastor.

The minister, the Rev. Wesley L.

Hawes, announced the unanimous decision of both congregations Friday as "a firm, tangible demonstration of our Christian democracy at the time it is being criticized."

His 60 Negro parishioners shortly will move from their crowded, dilapidated, store-like facilities at Hope Presbyterian to worship with the 40 members of Westminster Presbyterian church.

The decision to merge the 85-year-old white church and the 3-year-old Negro church was taken after the white pastor resigned to become a chaplain.

"The action provides a dramatic answer to the frequent accusations of the Communists that racial tensions are an inherent part of democracy," Louis A. Petersen, spokesman for the north coastal area of the Presbyterian Church, observed.

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hands of foreigners who had al-
legedly come to help them, their at-
titude is not hard to understand.
Ironically, it was my equality with
all other foreigners that was being
recognized and my dark skin which
drew attention to me."

Mixed Congregation Crowds Merged Church



The Rev. Hampton B. Hawes (right) gives his Sunday sermon May 4 before a mixed congregation of white and colored worshippers at the Westminster Presbyterian Church in San Francisco. The church was crowded for the first time in

Presbytery Approves White Minister As Tan Church Pastor

PITTSBURGH — The Pittsburgh Presbytery voted its approval Friday of the selection of the Rev. Virgil P. Moccia, white, as pastor of Bidwell Street Presbyterian Church, succeeding the Rev. Samuel G. Stevens, who resigned to become instructor at Lincoln University.

After the Presbytery approved his pastorate, Mr. Moccia said: "There is nothing strange or startling about this move. Christianity recognizes no racial barriers and the Presbyterian Church, USA, has long stood for a policy opposed to segregation."

The new pastor was formerly leader of Manchester Presbyterian Church, white.

years as a result of a merger of the all-white church and colored Hope Church whose congregation was too large for its own cramped quarters. It was

the first such merger in the West. The Rev. Mr. Hawes said he hoped from now on that his will be considered "simply an all-Christian congregation."



Missionary Interviewed—

The Rev. Darius L. Swann, Presbyterian missionary on furlough from China, the first of his race to serve in the field under the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church of the United States, is shown with Miss Barbara Welles, top female interrogator, during an interview over Station WOR, in New York City.

Peace Prevails At Initial Service Of Merged Churches

Sat. 5-17-52

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif.—(AP)—Brotherhood prevailed as an overflow crowd of white and Negro worshippers Sunday attended the first service marking the official merger of two churches here.

The Westminster Presbyterian church was crowded with its own members and those of the former New Hope Presbyterian church. The congregations of both churches had voted unanimously for the merger.

There was no sign of tenseness between the Negro and white worshippers during the service. A purple-robed choir of six Negro and two Caucasians sang. A Negro man and a white woman sang solos.

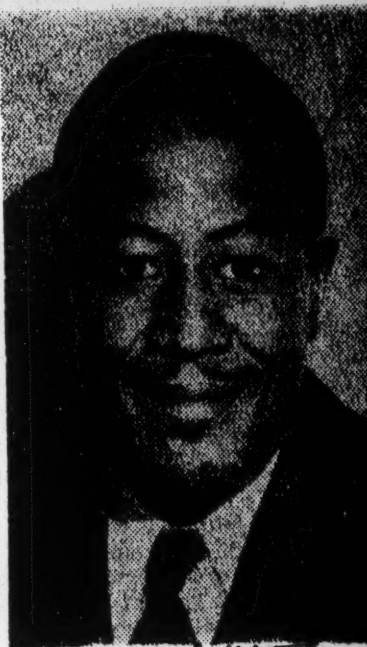
The merger was suggested when Hope found itself in need for more space. Since the white Westminster church had an excess of space it decided to accept the congregation of Hope.

The new pastor of Westminster is Wesley L. Hawes, former pastor of Hope church. His assistant pastor is the Rev. Orville E. Chadsey, white.

The pastor's father, the Rev. Hampton B. Hawes of Westminster church in Los Angeles, delivered the sermon at Sunday's service. He told the merged congregation that it would take true Christian spirit to understand "the great spiritual significance of these things."

After the services—as is customary in most churches—the congregation paused on the church steps to shake hands with their new pastor.

Elected Head Of LA Presbytery



Rev. St. Paul Epps, pastor of the Bel-Vue Community Church, was recently unanimously elected moderator of the Los Angeles Presbytery of the United Presbyterian Church.

Rev. Epps, the first Negro minister ever elected to head the Presbytery, is a native Norfolk, Va., and was in the first class to be enrolled in the Norfolk Unit of Virginia Union University, now State College.

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Presbyterians for Ending Segregation

Statement Assails
Bias, 'Blinding Fear
Subversive Forces'
Ann Elizabeth Price

Presbyterian Church in the
yesterday called for the
of racially segregated
Presbyteries and congrega-
in its own ranks.
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Presbyterian Church, at
the 164th general as-
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Paragraphs Debated

Although passed by a large ma-
jority of the assembly, the su-
preme governing body of the
church, the declaration stirred de-
bate over several paragraphs.

Charles H. Brown, a church el-
der from Chicago, said some parts
of the pronouncement dealing
with personal freedom and human
rights appeared to be aimed at
"many fearless and brave men in
and out of the government" who
are trying to thwart communism.
"The worst enemy of the Chris-
tian Church today is commu-
nism," he said. "Communism's
avowed purpose is to destroy the
Church entirely."

The controversial paragraphs
condemned public investigations
that undermine reputations and
denounced the concept of "guilt
by association," the use of un-
substantiated charges to declare
"controversial personalities" as
"bad risks" for public office and
the denial of passports, without
reasons being given.

The Rev. Robert C. Lamar,
Stamford, Conn., said there "could
be no more serious emasculation"
of the statement than to delete
the portion challenged.

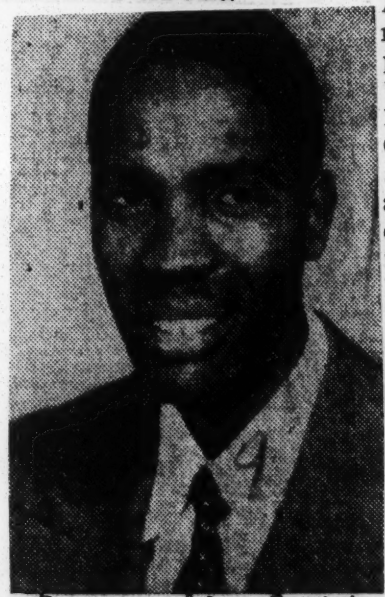
Support of U. N. Urged
The pronouncement called for
support of the United Nations as
the "cornerstone of American
foreign policy," for expanded aid
to underprivileged peoples, for
inflation controls and for greater
participation by Christians in
political life "in a year of
election."

The lengthy social pronounce-
ment condemned gambling "even
for charitable purposes" as being
contrary to "the Christian con-
science." It assailed "waste in mili-
tary expenditures," excessive def-

icit spending and "deliberate in-
flationary policies" designed to
create a "false sense of prosperity."
It opposed sending a United
States Ambassador to the Vatican
or "to any other religious body" or
any action which would "place any
religious group in a preferential
status."

Praises Spy Probes
In a resolution offered at the
afternoon session by the Rev. Dr.
Paul Austin Wolfe, moderator of
the New York Presbytery, the as-
sembly praised the work of all
Congressional committees that are
protecting "fundamental Ameri-
can liberties" from "foreign spies"
and a "fifth column."

Earlier, the assembly declared
that its ministers should not ease
their standards for remarrying
divorced persons, even though a
loophole has cropped up—for the
time being—in the church law.
Seeking to countermand a series
of actions that technically can-
celed a requirement of a one-year
waiting period for remarriages,
the assembly declared the provi-
sion was "inadvertently elimi-
nated." It will take a year, during
which local presbyteries must act,
to restore the old rule.

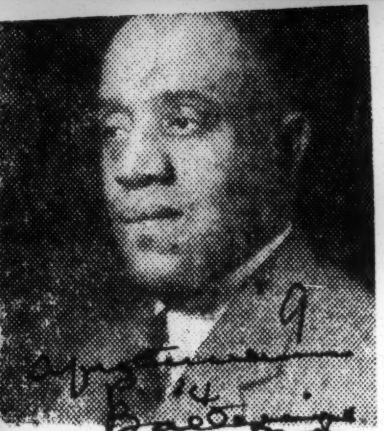


San Francisco, Calif. 5-12-52
Skin Saved Him—
The Rev. Darius L. Swann,
first Negro missionary ever
sent to China by the Presby-
terian Church in the U. S. A.,
recently returned to America
after three years in the Ori-
ent. The Rev. Mr. Swann
said his dark skin saved him
from the fate of some white
missionaries working in Chi-
na when it fell to the Com-
munists.—(ANP).

Ranking Official With Presbyterians



Dr. Jesse Belmont Barber
is the only Negro with a full
secretarial position in the
Presbyterian Church, U. S. A.
As secretary of the Depart-
ment Work with Colored Peo-
ple, Dr. Barber is serving the
work with headquarters at
156 Fifth Avenue, New York
City. He is in his second year
as head of this department,
after spending seven years as
dean of the School of Divin-
ity at Lincoln University,
Pennsylvania. Previously he
had spent 17 years as pastor
of Leonard Street Presbyter-
ian Church, Chattanooga,
Tenn., and director of Newton
Community Center, a project
connected with the church.
Dr. Barber is a native of
Charlotte, N. C.



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Presbyterians

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Justice Issue

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of the United States requested Congress to "press Congress to support legislation which will bring about a more just and national life in our practice of our efforts on behalf of the world."

supreme legislative "guilt by association of character. the assembly said, undermined by public investigation without the proper trial."

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Shown as they acknowledge the
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night are Dr. and Mrs. John T.
Colbert and Dr. Horace Mann
Bond, president of Lincoln Uni-
versity, who delivered the prin-

cipal address. Dr. Bond re-
ferred to the honoree as "a
great physician of the soul."

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Vice-Mayor Arthur Price, who
said he came to the testimonial
despite an aching back, told Dr.
Colbert:

"You have enriched the life of
our city."

Pledges Clean-Up

"His life has been a life devoted
to his fellow man," he said.

Mr. Price then pledged to do all
in his power to eliminate street
conditions along Pennsylvania
Avenue as protested by a citizens'
mass meeting on Feb. 24.

"This, in my opinion, would be
the best tribute by Baltimore to
Dr. Colbert," Mr. Price asserted.

Dr. Colbert was described as "a
helper of men" by Dr. T. Guthrie
Speers, pastor of Brown Memorial
Presbyterian Church.

Baltimore's Greatest Gifts

"The life and personality of Dr.
Colbert is one of the greatest
gifts that has come to this genera-
tion of Baltimoreans," was the
tribute paid by Dr. William H.
Lemmel, superintendent of Balti-
more Public Schools.

Neil H. Swanson, executive edi-
tor of the Baltimore Sunpapers,
told Dr. Colbert he did not think
the group was present because of
his age or because of his long,
successful pastorate of Grace
Presbyterian Church.

'Lived Lord's Prayer'

"I think we are here because
you have lived the Lord's prayer,"
he said.

Remarks were also made by the
Rev. Hiram E. Smith, president of
the Interdenominational Alliance
Houston R. Jackson, assistant su-
perintendent of public schools; Dr.
Thomas G. Pullen, State supervi-
sor of education; Dr. Ralph J.
Young, and Sen. Herbert R.
O'Connor.

Wins Governor's Praise

Edward N. Wilson, registrar at
Morgan State College, presented
Dr. Colbert a certificate from Gov.
Theodore R. McKeldin, proclaim-
ing him an "outstanding Maryland
er and distinguished citizen."

A book containing 135 testi-
monials from a cross-section of
Baltimoreans was presented to
Dr. Colbert by Dr. D. O. W.
Holmes, president-emeritus of
Morgan State College.

A \$1,000 purse, "for an upright
life" and unselfish devotion to his
community, was presented by Dr.
Carl Murphy, president of the

AFRO - AMERICAN Newspapers
on behalf of 278 friends.

Mrs. Colbert Honored

Mrs. Colbert's turn came next.
Mrs. Violet H. Whyte, co-chair-
man of the Citizens' Testimonial
Committee, which planned the oc-
casion, praised the minister's wife
"for making Dr. Colbert such a
splendid man."

Mrs. Lillian Parrott, assistant
to Mr. Jackson, called Mrs. Col-
bert "an exalted ideal of woman-
hood."

Crowd Cheers

At the end of it all, Dr. Colbert
walked to the rostrum as the
crowd of speech-makers and wit-
nesses stood and cheered.

His voice was warm and clear
as he said:

"It is indeed a great pleasure
for me to be here on this occasion.
Many thanks to you for the fine
things you have said about me
tonight."

He expressed appreciation for
the gifts.

Then he gave credit to his wife
for all his accomplishments.

The program was sponsored by
a citizens' committee including
Dr. Willard W. Allen, chairman,
who served as master of cere-
monies; Dr. Bernard Harris, Mrs.
Isaac Crippen, Elmer T. Hawkins,
Mrs. Mary Lou Bowley, Mrs.
Frances Layton, Joseph Neal,
John Berry, Mrs. Violet Hill
Whyte, Dr. Carl Murphy, Dr. D.
O. W. Holmes, Mr. Edward R.
Wilson, Mr. Herbert R. Frisby and
Mrs. Lillian Parrott.

Also on the program were:

Dr. Martin D. Jenkins, presi-
dent of Morgan State College, who
introduced the main speaker; the
Rev. Harrison J. Bryant, pastor of
Bethel AME Church; Miss Anne
Wallace, soloist; the Morgan Col-
lege Choir, the Grace Presbyterian
Church Choir and the Maryland
Joys' Village Chorus.

RECOGNITION OF SERVICE:

Citizens Plan Public Fete Honoring Dr. J. T. Colbert

BALTIMORE
Citizens from all over the State gathered at Bethel AME Church on Feb. 29, at 8 p.m. to pay public tribute to Dr. John T. Colbert, pastor of Grace Presbyterian Church for 35 years.

A public testimonial is being given by a committee of citizens headed by Dr. Willard W. Bond, grand master of Masons, who said that Dr. Colbert was honored for honors because of his unselfish service to the community.

Dr. Bond To Speak
Horace Mann Bond, president of Lincoln University of Pennsylvania, Dr. Colbert is a trustee, will be the principal speaker. Invited guests included Senator Herbert Conner, and Arthur Price, member of the City Council and mayor.

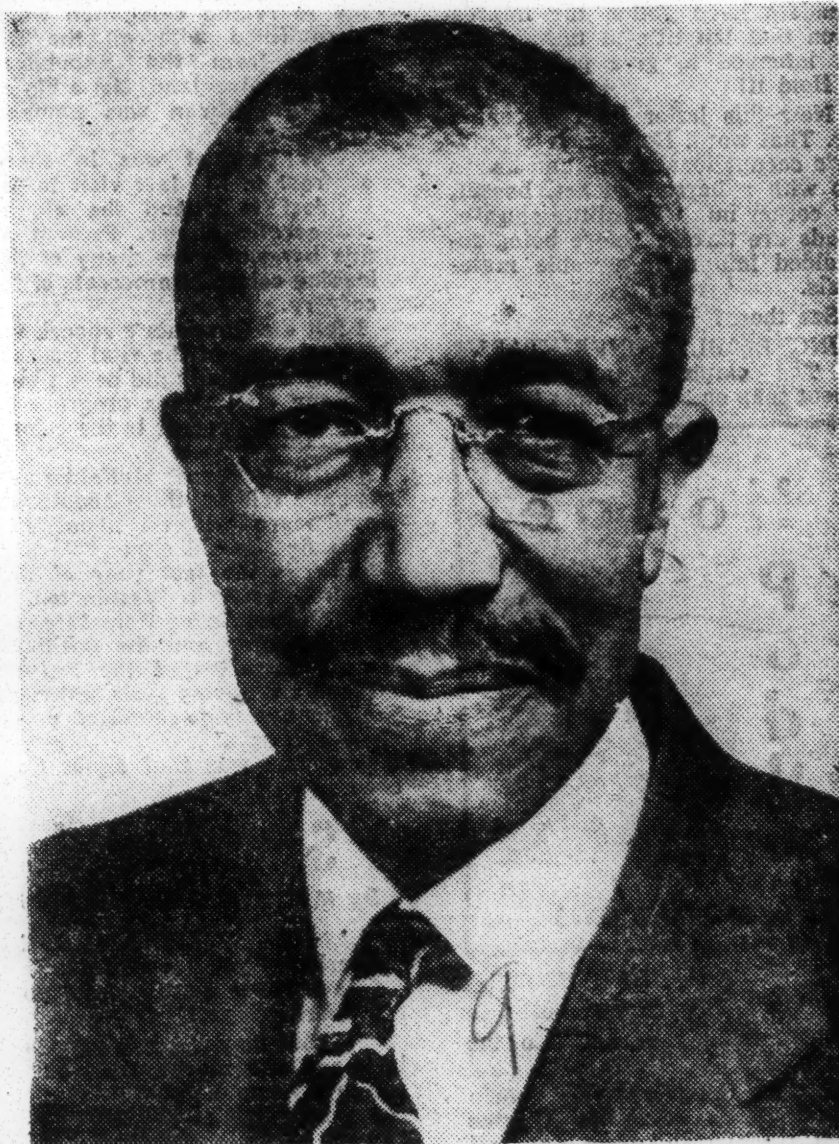
A state-wide committee has sent over 3,000 letters inviting citizens to participate and contribute to the affair which will be free to the public. Dr. Colbert will be honored with a purse, and with a volume of letters of appreciation from officials of the city and state.

Honoree Well Respected
Dr. Colbert has combined religious and civic activities during the past years, to become one of the highly respected individuals in Maryland. He has been in on the city and State's internal movements, both in the church and other fields.

He served as moderator of the Maryland State Presbytery from 1945-46, the first colored minister to hold in such a capacity. He is a member of the Maryland-Delaware Council of Churches, and a member of the Board of Directors of the Village of Baltimore.

Those who will appear on the testimonial program are Dr. Willard W. Bond, superintendent of schools; Houston R. Jackson, assistant superintendent of schools; Martin D. Jenkins, president of Morgan State College who will introduce the speaker; the Rev. J. A. Smith, representing the denominational Alliance; and J. Swanson, executive editor of the Sunpapers.

Holmes On Committee
J. Murphy, president of the AMERICAN newspapers, treasurer of the citizens' committee, will present the purse. J. O. W. Holmes, president of Morgan, is assistant



The Rev. John T. Colbert, pastor of Grace Presbyterian Church will be publicly honored

treasurer, and will present the letters.

A gift to Mrs. Colbert will be presented through women members of the committee, Mrs. Violet Hill Whyte, Mrs. Lillian Parrott, both of Baltimore; and Mrs. Isaac Crippan of Berlin, Md.

Music will be by the Morgan College Choir, the choir of Grace Church, and Miss Ann Wallace, soprano.

State-Wide Group

Other members of the State-wide committee are Dr. Bernard Harris, physician; Edward N. Wilson, registrar of Morgan State College; Herbert M. Frisby, head of the science department at Dou-

glas High School; Joseph Neal, State CIO organizer;

John Barry of the longshoremen's group; Mrs. Frances Laydon of the Court of Philanthropy of the Pythians; Mrs. Maylon Bowley, grand matron of the Order of Eastern Star; and Elmer T. Hawkins, representing the State Teachers Association.

Los Angeles Minister Named Moderator of Southern California

LOS ANGELES, Cal. — (AN P) — The Rev. St. Paul Epps, pastor of the Bel-Vue Community church here, recently became the first Negro minister to be elected moderator of the Los Angeles Presbytery of the United Presbyterian church. 5-17-52

As moderator, he will have titular supervision over all of the United Presbyterian churches in the Presbytery, a territory that includes all of Southern California.

He also will convene all Presbytery meetings; preside at all ordinations and installations of ministers and will be the fraternal representative of the Presbytery at meetings of other church courts and conventions.

Rev. Epps has been in the Presbytery for five years and has been active in the youth work of the Presbytery. For the second straight year he will be the dean of the summer conference for high school youth to be held June 23-30 at Camp Arbolado, Seven Oaks, California.

Presbyterian Synod

Endorses Segregation

IRMO, S. C. — (ANP) — Negro leaders of a synod of the Presbyterian church in the U. S. A. last week took an unusual position when they endorsed segregation despite a request from Negro Presbyterians for its end.

The Atlantic synod, meeting for its annual meeting at Harbison Junior college here, went on record in favor of the continuance of segregation rather than be accepted in the same manner as the other 30 synods of the Presbyterian church.

OPPOSE REQUEST

Action taken by this synod was in opposition to that requested by members of the church. In 1950, two Negro presbyteries within the bounds of the Catawba synod sub-

mitted a request to the General Assembly of the church asking and urging the discontinuance of segregation within the church. The request affected the four Negro synods.

The General Assembly requested the Mission board to meet with representatives from all the presbyteries and synods and discuss the issue of segregation. The Atlantic synod voted to continue the segregated pattern and asked that a special plan be set up for Negroes within the administrative framework.

A large number of members of the Atlantic synod term the action in endorsing segregation as unfortunate and at odds with the present trends of integration.

3-STATE SYNOD

The Atlantic synod includes the states of South Carolina, Georgia and Florida. It has more than 100 churches with some 9,000 members and nearly 75 ministers.

There are three schools within the area of the synod. They are Harbison Junior college here; Boggs Academy, Keysville, Ga., and Selden-Gillespie Institute, Cordele, Ga.

Among those who attended the meeting of the synod were:

Dr. C. O. St. John, St. Louis, Mo.; Dr. C. Martz, Lakeland, Fla.; W. H. Hamilton, Columbus, Ohio; Alfred Davise, New York; the Rev. John Peterson, Winston-Salem, N. C.; the Rev. Calvin M. Young, Jr., Gastonia, N. C.; and Drs. C. A. Washington, L. B. West, and J. B. West, and J. W. Smith, Sr. Charlotte, N. C.

The Rev. Edward McKay Miller, pastor, Irmo First church, was elected moderator and the Rev. Milton E. Cox, Columbia, temporary clerk.

PROPHET JONES

2,000 Jam Opening Of Prophet Jones' Temple

Prophet Jones Opens New \$200,000 Temple

By International News Service

DETROIT — The Prophet Jones, temporal father to 5,000,000 Negroes in the U. S., Africa, and the West Indies, ruled from a new \$200,000 temple Friday,

complete with a replica of ancient King Solomon's fabulous throne.

More than 2,000 persons jammed the temple, converted Detroit theatre for dedication ceremonies Thursday night. They gaped at chenille-tufted carpets, a holy center aisle reserved for the Prophet alone and the Prophet's pulpit, a red and gold-trimmed replica of the throne of King Solomon.

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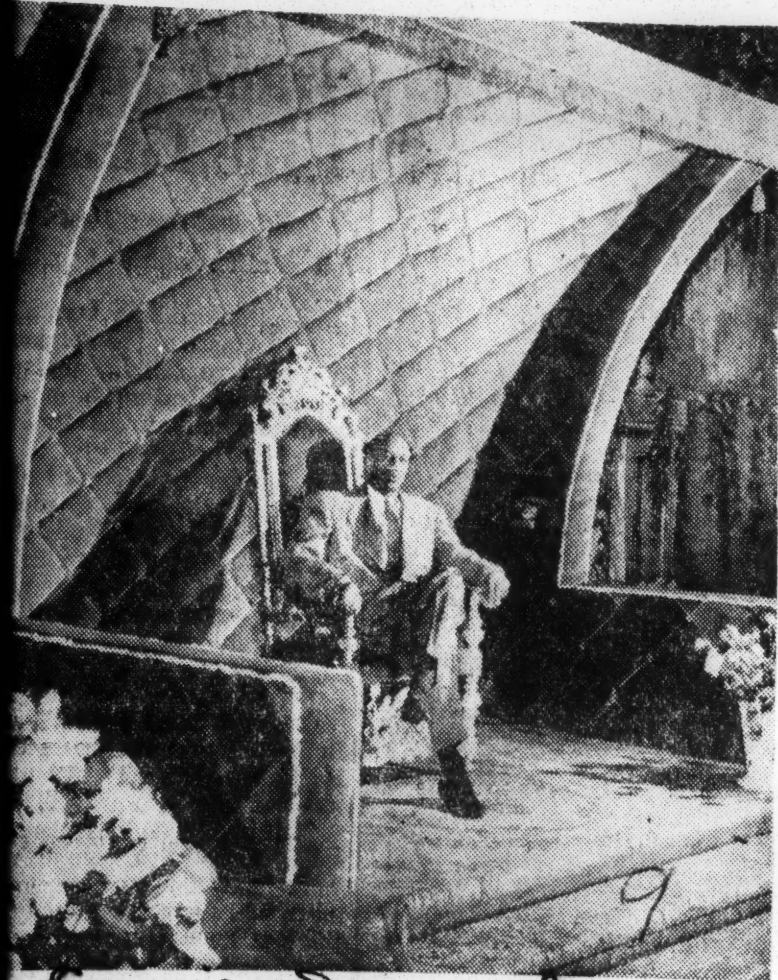
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TESTING FOR SIZE . . . Trying out the throne in his new church is the Rt. Rev. James F. "Prophet" Jones, dominion ruler of the Church of the Universal Triumph, Dominion of God. Dr. Jones claims 6,000,000 followers in 45 of the states, the West Indies, and Liberia.

Pulpit Is Replica Of King Solomon's Throne

DETROIT—(INS)—The Prophet Jones, temporal father to 5,000,000 Negroes in U. S., Africa and the West Indies, ruled from a new \$200,000 temple Friday, complete with a replica of ancient King Solomon's fabulous throne. More than 2,000 persons jammed the temple, a converted Detroit theater, for dedication ceremonies. They gaped at chenille-tufted carpets, a holy center aisle reserved for the prophet alone and the prophet's pulpit, a red and gold-trimmed replica of the throne of King Solomon.

Bedecked in jewels, the prophet, the Rt. Rev. James F. Jones, earthly ruler of the Church of the

Universal Triumph, spoke to the crowd last night from his brand new podium through a concealed voice to every nook of the cavernous temple.

Resplendent in silken robes, the prophet invited newsmen, following the dedication, to a new office, containing a \$450 chair similar to that used by the prophet's personal hero, Gen. Douglas MacArthur.

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Protestant Council of Churches

Miller Named Top Church Official Of N. Y.

PROTESTANT COUNCIL HEAD
NEW YORK (ANP)—Dr. Gardner C. Taylor, pastor of Concord Baptist Church, was elected president of the Brooklyn Division of the Protestant Council of N.Y. at its 123d annual meeting at Hanson Place, Methodist Church.

NEW YORK—Herbert T. Miller, located at 215 West 23rd Street, New York City.

Made Associate Secretary
Of Protestant Council Union

Announcement to this effect came as a surprise last Monday to more than 800 persons attending a banquet honoring Miller in the grand ballroom of the Hotel George. *at 3-152*
Mr. Miller, a social worker for more than 30 years, and a "Y" executive since 1922 was praised by Mr. Channing Tobias, United States alternate delegate to the United Nations and the principal speaker at the dinner, for "bringing together a group of like-minded people who, in my book, represent the real America," which, the elder statesman continued "has been a great step, toward bringing a solution to the international situation today."

The Protestant Council operates a program of religious education in all five boroughs of New York City. Mr. Miller will help in the projection of the Council's program in Manhattan. His work will not be confined to any particular area of that borough. He is regarded as one of the nation's outstanding ambassadors of goodwill in the field of race relations.

Two years ago Mr. Miller was inducted by the National Baptist Convention of the USA to its National Convention in Los Angeles where he was named "America's Most Outstanding Layman." He was also a member of The American Seminar which toured Europe during the summer of 1950.

Besides being a member of a number of important Boards and committees in New York City, he has been the recipient of numerous awards and honors for outstanding citizenship.

Dr. John B. King, Assistant Superintendent of New York City Schools presided at the banquet. Dr. Ralph W. Sockman of Christ Church and Dr. Albert J. Penner of Broadway Tabernacle are chairmen of the committees which named Mr. Miller to his new post. The offices of The Council are



Herbert Miller

Announcement was made yesterday of the appointment of Herbert T. Miller, former executive secretary of the Carlton Avenue Branch of the Young Men's Christian Association in Brooklyn, as associate secretary of the Manhattan division of the Protestant Council of the City of New York, effective at once. The executive secretary is the Rev. Carl Herron.

Mr. Miller, who is the first Negro in the United States to have served as a county grand jury foreman, has been in social service since 1926. He was drawn for the Kings County grand jury in 1944.



— Staff Photo

B. E. Mays (right) Lays Blame for Fears on Leaders
J. Blanton Belk (left) Named Ministerial President

Danger of Unnecessary Fears Expressed by Atlanta Educator

Our fears make cowards of us," Dr. Benjamin E. Mays, Ne-
 president of Morehouse Col-
 in Atlanta, told an inter-
 meeting of the Protestant
 sters Association here yester-
 day before a group of

75 white and Negro min-
 at St. Giles Presbyterian
 ch, Dr. Mays said: "We
 fear economic insecurity.
 fear political defeat. We fear
 ostracism. We often fear
 that which we know we
 do and say the things
 we know that we ought to
 do." He added that unnecessary fears
 caused people to kill the
 prophets and persecute the pio-
 in science and social re-

Evolution Doctrine Feared
 Mays' topic was "Unneces-
 Fears," and on this subject
 said additionally, "We feared
 if the doctrine of evolution
 established as a fact it would
 destroy our faith in God and our
 faith in the Bible."

But evolution has been estab-
 lished as a fact, and we teach
 in high schools, colleges and
 universities. The Bible is still the
 best seller, and people still believe

in God."

He declared that the nation at
 one time feared the abolition of
 slavery because it was argued that
 "slavery was the cornerstone of
 civilization, and the economic or-
 der would collapse if slavery were
 abolished."

Slavery has been abolished, said
 Dr. Mays, formerly dean of the
 school of religion at Howard Uni-
 versity in Washington, "and, eco-
 nomically, man is better off than
 he was."

Education Issue Discussed

Stressing another fear, he said,
 "We feared that, if Negroes were
 admitted to the State universities
 of the South the students would
 stage race riots and not stand
 for their presence. But Negro stu-
 dents are enrolled in several State
 universities in the South and there
 have been no race riots. In fact,
 white students welcome Negro
 students."

In summing up his talk, Dr.
 Mays, who is the author of four
 books, said, "Our chief trouble
 lies in the leadership. It is the
 people at the top who engender
 these fears and not the masses.
 If we can get the leadership right,
 the masses will follow."

Daring Action Needed

He emphasized that great prog-
 ress in breaking down fears is

made only when "somebody dares
 to break from the beaten paths of
 custom, tradition, folkways and
 mores."

"And finally," Dr. Mays added,
 "we have nothing to fear but the
 judgment of God for sin. We have
 nothing to fear but war, economic
 injustice, our political corruption
 and race prejudice."

The Protestant Ministers Asso-
 ciation is composed of approxi-
 mately 400 ministers, both white
 and Negro. At yesterday's meet-
 ing Dr. J. Blanton Belk, pastor
 of St. Giles, was elected incoming
 president; the Rev. H. A. Taylor,
 of the Leigh Street Methodist
 Church, vice-president; Samuel M.
 Carter, Virginia Union professor,
 recording secretary, and the Rev.
 C. Emerson Smith, of the Vir-
 ginia Council of Churches, corre-
 sponding secretary and treasurer.
 The outgoing president is the Rev.
 Robert L. Taylor, of the Second
 Baptist Church of South Rich-
 mond.

y Reveals Southern Negro ers Are Poorly Trained

ARK. — (ANP) — The church department at Gary last week disclosed a study of some 454 pastors in 17 south-

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"These My Brethren," reported that 15 of pastors have never attended school; nearly half of (per cent) have never passed the eighth grade, per cent have never attended high school. Their education is the ninth

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study revealed that the reason for so many poorly trained ministers was that colleges and seminaries for training ministers are lagging far behind in facilities to those for

this situation is being remedied a little with the admission of colored students to 20 colleges in southern states. These schools are Presbyterian, Methodist, and Baptist seminaries at Richmond, Va., Austin, Tex., Louisville, Ky., and Nashville, Tenn. Southern Baptist seminaries are admitting Negroes. One located at Fort Worth, Texas, and New Orleans, La. Schools which admit Negroes include: Methodist University, Texas; Loyola, New Orleans; Nazareth and Ursuline.

These churches admit Negroes for the first time

Seventh-Day Adventists Donate \$548 For Missions

Headed by Miss Justiss

WASHINGTON One of the highlights of the local school members of offering was the announcement by seventh-day Adventist Archie Lucas, retiring superintendent of the Sabbath school, that the Washington gave foreign youth and young adult division, offerings totaling \$7,548.63, headed by Miss Valarie O. Justiss, Mrs. Helen Freeman, had made a "double dollar" offering. reported this week.

In the two years that the division has been under Miss Justiss' leadership it has grown in membership from an average attendance of 22 to 64, and its offerings have increased from an average of \$11 to \$25.

This marks the second time in the history of the local Sabbath school that any division has reported an average offering of \$2 for each member. The other record was made by the same division at the time of the special quarterly offering to Formosa on Sept. 29.

Montemorelos Hospital four years ago, 1500 have been hospitalized more than 30,000 people have been treated for in the out-patient department. According to reports heard from school members here, the airplane piloted by one of the missionaries, the institution in the remotest villages in a 100 miles. The flying paramedical emergency cases to the hospital carries doctors and nurses to hold clinics in surrounding areas.

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SUCCEEDS HEBREW CONGREGATION:

New Berea Temple Is \$79,000 Building

BALTIMORE After 32 years at Dolphin St. and Fremont Ave., Berea Temple Seventh Day Adventist Church moved on Nov. 17 into the massive building at 1901 Madison Ave. formerly occupied by the Baltimore Hebrew Congregation.

The Adventist congregation paid \$79,500 for the new edifice, which is of the Byzantine architecture, characteristic on the fifth and sixth centuries.

The building boasts a seating capacity for 1,220 persons, four large vestry rooms, the pastor's study, a stage, kitchen facilities for service to 1,000 diners, and a choir loft with a \$30,000 three-manual pipe organ.

Membership Of 800

Berea Temple has an active membership of 800 persons and its pastor, Elder William L. Cheatham will celebrate his seventh anniversary here next month.

An elaborate program marked their moving into the new building.

Guest speakers included the Rev. G. E. Peters of Washington, field secretary of the General Conference; J. H. Wagner of Pottstown, Pa., president of the Allegheny Conference; F. L. Bland of NYC, president of the Northeast Conference.

The ordination and consecration service was conducted by Calvin E. Moseley, professor of theology at Oakwood College, Huntsville, Ala.

Elder Cheatham, who had once been assistant pastor at Berea Temple returned as its pastor in 1945, coming from the Delaware District where he had served seven years at Dover St. and Dupont St. Churches in Wilmington.

Previous to that, he had spent 15 years in Baltimore as assistant to Elder M. S. Banfield and the late Elder F. C. Phipps.

Born in Belzonia, Miss., he attended schools there and in Memphis, Tenn. before study in theology at Oakwood College.

Operates School

Under his leadership Berea Temple has bought a parsonage at

1905 Wheeler Ave. and a school building at 2401 Madison Ave. which has 80 pupils, ranging from grades 1 to 10.

The clergyman and his wife, Mrs. Laura E. Cheatham have eight children. They are:

William Jr., a government worker in Philadelphia; Mrs. Anna Timpson, Baltimore teacher; Oliver, a government worker in Washington; Donald, a soldier serving in the medical department at Fort Meade, Md.;

Miss Merle Cheatham, a Morgan College student; Charles, Augustus and Wendell, who is only three years old.

Church Officers

Berea Church officers include: H. J. Harris, assistant pastor; Deacons Thomas Coleman, Wesley Turner, James E. Hawkins, Almarine Ford, Washington Jones, William Quarles, Percy Winder. Trustees Elder Cheatham, James E. Hawkins, Miss Julia Z. Cooper;

James E. Hawkins, church treasurer; Mrs. Elizabeth Tilghman and Mrs. Fannie Hawkins, associates;

Mrs. Clara Thomas, superintendent of the Sabbath School which has 385 pupils; Miss Annie Watson, young people's leader.

Carleton Wilson, director of the senior choir; David Johnson, leader of the gospel and missionary HOIS: Mrs. Lillian Bell and Mrs. Mary Jones, organists.

At the parochial school, Mrs. Marjorie Montgomery is principal; Mrs. Martha Bell and Mrs. Anna Timpson, teachers.

New \$79,000 Berea Temple Church



Impressive building at 1901
son Ave. is the new home
Berea Temple Seventh Day
Adventist Church formerly lo-

cated at Dolphin St. and Fre-
mont Ave. The building, former-
ly occupied by the Baltimore He-
brew Congregation, cost \$79,500.

Inset shows Elder William L.
Cheatham, pastor, who will cele-
brate his seventh anniversary at
the church next month.



Owen Troy Is First Tan Th. D From USC

LOS ANGELES — (ANP Owen Austin Troy of Pasadena, western official of the Seventh-day Adventist denomination received recently the degree of doctor of theology at the 69th Annual Commencement of the University of Southern California.

He did his concentration in the field of church administration, preaching and pastoral counseling under the faculty of the School of Religion of USC. His doctoral dissertation was on "The Financial System of the Seventh-Day Adventist Church. An evaluation of the Factors Entering into the Adoption and Practice of Tithing."

A member of the Pi Epsilon Theta graduate scholastic fraternity, Dr. Troy obtained his master's degree from the University of Chicago, and did his undergraduate work at Pacific Union college.

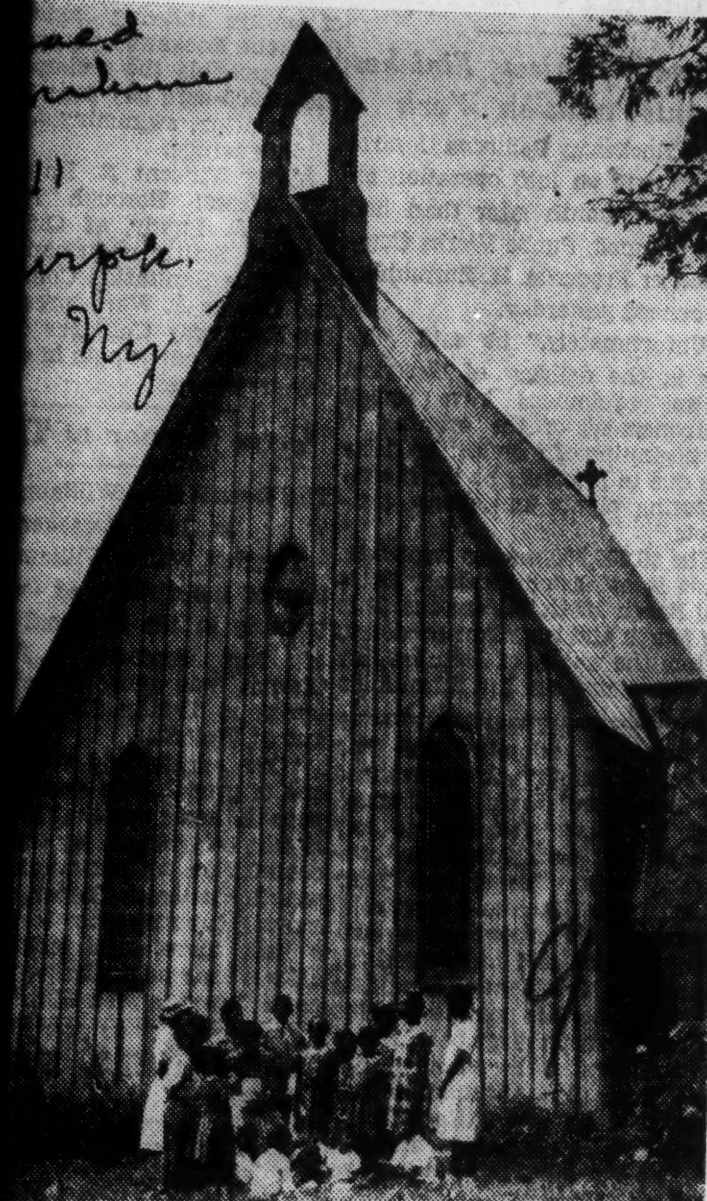
Dr. Troy is the sixth candidate and first of his race to receive the Th. D. degree from USC.

As departmental secretary of the Pacific Union Conference with offices in Glendale, Dr. Troy's field of responsibility includes California, Arizona, Nevada, Utah and Hawaii. He is a member of the board of trustees of the Riverside Sanitarium and Hospital at Nashville, Tenn. and the Oakwood College in Alabama.

A native California, he is married to the former Ruby Bontemps, a daughter of early California settlers. Mrs. Troy is a former school teacher and sister of the noted author and librarian of Fisk university, Arna Bontemps.

Church for Migrant Farm Workers Upstate

"SUMMER CHURCH"



Ira Rosenberg

ay school class holding forth yesterday outside the 100-
old frame building which houses "summer church" for
ant fruit pickers who work on the farms near Milton, N. Y.

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TON, N. Y., July 27—Mi-

workers from North Caro-

gregation in the winter. 11
The summer church is a 100-
year-old frame building on a road
that twists up a hill overlooking
the verdant Hudson Valley. It is
almost hidden behind two ancient
maple trees. Over the door, a faded
sign says: "All Saints Protestant
Episcopal Church. Seats Free."

The building was closed as an
active Episcopal parish five years
ago. It came to be a summer
church for seasonal fruit pickers
because of the concern by church
people in Milton for the people
who worked in the fields and

Says Milton Benefits

Walter R. Clarke, who owns a
250-acre fruit farm across the
highway, said Milton has bene-

fited by the arrangement.

"For instance," he said, "we
needed a car for the minister.
Down at Young's garage they had
quite a few second-hand cars. So
they offered the use of one for
nothing."

Mr. Clarke and his sister, Miss
Lula Clarke, members of a family
that bought the farm in Milton in
1817, related that the church work
among seasonal workers started
in 1944. There were several arrests
of seasonal workers that summer.
The Rev. Jesse Coddington, a re-
tired Methodist minister, asked the
Clarke family if he could not hold church
meetings for the workers in a
building on the Clarke property.
An old piano was moved in and a
small congregation was started.

Then the Clarkes' pastor, the
Rev. Hugh McNally, of First
Methodist Church, appealed to the
Home Mission Council of North
America, the local Presbyterian
church and the Protestant Epis-
copal church. The Mission Council
supplied a preacher, the Rev. Wil-
bur Johnson. The Summer Work-
ers Religious Group was formed,
including both seasonal workers
and villagers. They bought a meet-
ing house, formerly owned by the
Society of Friends.

Episcopal Church Offered

After it had been used one
summer, the meeting house was
sold and converted into a resi-
dence. The homeless congrega-
tion was offered the Episcopal
church on the hill. Another min-
ister, the Rev. Norman Rates,
came from the council, serving
the workers for three summers.

The present minister is the
Rev. Elemit Brooks, twenty-six,
a senior at Drew Theological
Seminary, who conducts Sunday
services and weekly prayer serv-
ices in one of the migrant camps
in near-by Marlboro. There are
about 120 migrant families who
come to the area, most of them
remaining from June to October
for the raspberry, currant, apple
and peach crops. Several women
conduct daily vacation Bible
school for the children.

"I spend most of my time visit-
ing the people—three nights a
week," Mr. Brooks said. "The job
is that of being a minister and a
friend, some one they can turn to
in an hour of need."

During the winter, the men
workers in overalls, the barefoot
children and the women who exist
in the small cabins throughout
the valley, return to the lumber
towns of North Carolina and
citrus crops in Florida.

The summer church becomes
deserted.

"We're pretty proud of the
work that has been done in Mil-
ton," said Miss Louisa R. Shotwell,
associate secretary of the Division
of Home Missions of the National
Council of Churches. "It came
from the people."

Tunie Elected Moderator of New Consolidated Body

GH, Pa.—After fifty-two years of separation, the
eral and the Union Baptist Associations voted to
elected the Rev. E. P. Tunie, pastor of Clark
ch, Homestead, its first moderator. This epoch-
was held in Central Baptist Church, Dr. C. E.
t pastor.

tion was offered by the Rev.
S. L. Spear that the Rev. E. P.

TO consolidate Tunie, pastor of Clark Memorial
of a joint commit Church, Homestead, be modera-
two, eleven each tor. The motion was seconded
associations. This by the Rev. J. A. Williams, and
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which embraced The following other officers
of the two bodies were elected: The Revs. A. M.
as appointed in Waller, first moderator; H. R.
two bodies and Williams, recording secretary;
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of Detroit, Mich., lead-
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nion of God sect, ar-
Los Angeles this week
0-day stay. Claiming a
g of more than six mil-
Rev. Dr. Jones is tour-
stern cities to raise
to erect a shrine in
of his mother. He wore
0 diamond bracelet, a
watch, and a 51-carat
ng worth \$10,000. At-
by a retinue, the Rev.
es was dressed in a tan
low shirt, green neck-
and white sport shoes,
colored gloves, Panama
carried a Malacca cane.

5. Negro Named Bishop England And Holy Land

(INP).—England and
East has its first Negro

Watley
3-year-old Dr. J.E. Wat-
ley of Watley's Rose Bowl
here, who recently re-
turned from a 30-day tour of Eu-
rope, Near East and the Holy
Land. Watley reported on his
trip from Memphis, Tenn., last De-
cember before the conclave of the
World Council of Churches in
Geneva, Switzerland, where he
was elected to the post of
"overseer" of Eng-
land, Jordan and Jerusalem.
The declaration was signed by
Dr. F. Williams, chairman of
the General Council.

Watley, who has been in
the ministry 25 years, is the
first person ever to be so hon-
ored. Church records reveal. He
is of Dallas, Tex., and is
well known all over America.

and much distress among
peoples, both in Europe and
East," he said. "Poverty
exists everywhere. I believe it is the
duty to help these unfor-
tunate people."

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Watley is expected to re-
turn to London in June to attend
the World's Pentecostal confer-
ence at Westminster Abbey.

His note: History reveals
that Negroes never to rule re-
over the Holy Land was
the era of the three Negro
Popes. There is no rec-
ord of a Negro ever being appoin-
ted to the post of Bishop of
England by any re-
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